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Special town meeting set for December 8

A date of December 8 has been set for a special town meeting to reconsider the question of property revaluation, mandated by the state by June, 1981.

Also on the warrant will be articles sponsored by the Concerned Citizens of Wilmington to set up a procedure for the recall of elected town officials and to purchase for conservation use land previously earmarked by the housing authority as part of a site for a proposed elderly and low income housing project. Other articles may also be added to the warrant which is scheduled to remain open until 5 p.m. Friday, November 14.

While the town has been ordered by the state to have a reassessment plan by November 10 of this year, J. Robert Sherman, of the State Revenue Department, said recently he believed the town would be given "a little leeway" in meeting the deadline as long as it was headed in the right direction.

At the annual town meeting, this year, the town overwhelmingly defeated a proposal to appropriate \$125,000 to bring Wilmington property to 100 percent of fair market value. However, if the town does not take action soon to revalue, the state has indicated it will hire a company to do the job and charge the town on the cherry sheet, a possibility which several town officials believe will be considerably more expensive and over which the town would have less control.

Finance Committee member Michael Dolan told the selectmen Monday night, however, that he did not believe voters would approve the same article they had turned down only a few months ago.

"If you present the same article, I feel you will get the same response

from my board and from the taxpayers," he said.

Dolan said that the fincom was concerned that revaluation could shift the tax burden from industry and require each homeowner to "pay a couple of hundred dollars extra." He suggested that the selectmen draft an article which would limit the percentage of the tax burden that residential taxpayers would have to bear.

According to Principal Assessor Anthony Krzeminski, the town currently receives 40 percent of its revenue from industry, four percent from commercial property and 56 percent from residential property.

"In the past 10 years industry's share has been coming up and the residents' share has been going down," he said, a trend which he predicted would continue as Wilmington's industrial base continues to grow.

"I can't see, at the end of revaluation, how those percentages would change. It seems to me everything would be going up pretty evenly across the board," Krzeminski told the selectmen.

Currently the town allocates the tax burden on a factor of one, which essentially means that everyone pays the same rate. Because of a recent law allowing property classification, however, the town could set up a system of percentages which would establish how much of the tax base would be paid by industry, how much by commercial and how much by residential property.

Krzeminski told the selectmen that, by law, 100 percent valuation must be established first and then percentages would be set by the board of selectmen, if that method were the one selected. Dolan, however, disagreed

calling for a synopsis of the law as proof. "We have been told by different people that it is possible to do it this way," he said in reference to a revaluation article that would also spell out percentages.

"The only town I know that set percentages before they did their homework was hurt very greatly by it," commented Robert Cain, chairman of the board of selectmen. The residents of the town, which Cain identified as Dartmouth, were the ones hurt the most, he said.

Selectmen Aldo Cairra said that he believed his board had an obligation to "put in a general article." "Why doesn't the finance committee come in with their own?" he challenged.

Dolan replied he would attempt to call a special meeting of his board in order to draft an article before the warrant closed.

Selectman Rocco DePasquale said that he believed revaluation was defeated at the annual town meeting not because of the way it was written, but because townspeople were afraid of what it could mean in regard to state aid.

"We have a ghost riding on our shoulders," he said. "In 1966 we were one of the first towns to comply (with a state order for revaluation) and we were hurt by it."

Krzeminski concurred. Because of that revaluation, he said, "Wilmington was considered to be a rich community and so got less money on the cherry sheet." Since 1974, Krzeminski added, however, the state has been distributing funds on a system of equalized values, so that particular problem no longer exists.

Peg McNeil of Oakridge Circle told the selectmen that while she had voted against revaluation at the last

town meeting, she had changed her mind.

"I believe it is going to cost a lot more money if the state does it," she said.

In fact, the cost has probably already gone up. DePasquale estimated that, because of inflation, the appropriation figure would most likely be closer to \$150,000.

Presenting the selectmen with petitions for the purchase of conservation land (736 signatures) and for a procedure to recall elected officials (603 signatures) was Concerned Citizens of Wilmington spokesman Paul Theodos.

His group has, for several months, been adamantly opposed to a housing authority proposal to build 80 units of elderly housing and 25 units of low income housing near Wilmington Plaza.

After a special town meeting to rezone land for the project was cancelled last August by the board of selectmen, the housing authority threatened to bypass the usual town meeting route and last week signed an application for a special board of appeals permit for the project, allowed under Chapter 774, the state's anti-snob zoning law.

Possibly in reflection of their frustration with housing authority members, the second petition filed by the Concerned Citizens of Wilmington calls for a charter change to permit the recall of elected officers using a complex procedure which includes an initial affidavit signed by 150 voters representing all precincts, recall petitions signed by 10 percent of all registered voters and the holding of a special recall election with possible replacement candidates listed on the ballot.



A stiff breeze on Veterans' Day unfurled the colors at the services on Wilmington Common.

Robbery at gas station

A man with a small automatic pistol robbed the Wilmington BP station of more than \$100 shortly before 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Wilmington Police Lt. Bernard Nally said that the man's description is similar to that of a man who has

been robbing gas stations recently in the Lowell area. He was described as tall and thin, clean shaven, wearing a dark green sweatshirt pulled up over his head.

The robber was last seen running toward the Firestone Store, next to the gas station. A blue Chevy was seen leaving the area, but it is not certain whether the robber was in the car.

Anniversary dance

Wilmington has passed the date of its 250th anniversary, but the celebration hasn't finished yet.

A grand finale dance will be held on November 22 at 8 p.m. at the Shriners Auditorium on Fordham Road. Music will be provided by Ray Leach and the Suburbanaires.

The 250th anniversary committee will honor those who contributed to the success of the anniversary celebration.

Tickets are \$2.50. Table snacks will be provided.

Reward

A reward fund of more than \$60 has been collected; for information on the person who burned a dog at Wilmington Plaza on Halloween eve. The dog, a German shepherd, was ignited with gasoline and died an agonizing death.

Anyone with information regarding the incident should contact the Town Crier, 658-2346.

Firefighters stationed at Sweetheart Plastics

"They brought them in without asking us, and they pulled them out without telling us," said George Hooper, a member of the Wilmington Housing Authority (WHA).

Until Friday, two firefighters and an engine were stationed at Deming Way, in the community hall of the WHA, to provide added fire protection for the west side of Wilmington. The temporary closing of the Burlington Avenue bridge has cut off that section of town from the main fire station.

On Friday, Acting Fire Chief Daniel Wandell issued an order moving the men and the engine from Deming Way to the Sweetheart Plastics plant. Wandell issued the following statement:

"Due to the request for compensation from the Fire Department by Mr. Henry Borazzo, executive director of the Wilmington Housing Authority, the temporary quarters set up at the elderly housing project on Deming Way will be discontinued.

"The new location was generously provided by Sweetheart Plastics, a local industrial firm, and will provide the same degree of protection as the former site.

"As acting chief, my first concern was to provide the best possible protection to this section of town, and in particular to the senior citizens of this area, with the least possible disruption of service to all other sections of town.

"I regret any inconvenience or financial burden imposed on the executive director, Mr. Borazzo, and take this opportunity to express this feeling."

Borazzo said that he had attempted to contact Wandell to ask if the WHA would be compensated for the use of the hall, how long the men would be there, and if an arrangement could be made for a telephone for the men. He said that while the men were there, their communication was either by two-way radio or the housing authority telephone. He said that the telephone was frequently tied up by housing authority business, and might not be available for an emergency telephone call.

Borazzo said that he had not requested the Fire Department to remove the men, but only to respond to his questions.

Town of Wilmington



Finance Committee Public Hearing

The Wilmington Finance Committee will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, Nov. 19, 1980 at 7:30 p.m. in the Wilmington Memorial Library Conference Room on the Warrant Articles for the special town meeting to be held on Monday, Dec. 8, 1980.

Walter J. Kaminski, Chmn.
Wilmington
Finance Committee



Leaders of the opposition to the proposed housing project in Wilmington are, from left, Paul Theodos, James Gorman and Robin Theodos. Their organization is called the Concerned Citizens of Wilmington. They were at the meeting of the Wilmington Conservation Commission, seeking approval for a plan to take as conservation land the site for the housing project. Story, page 12.

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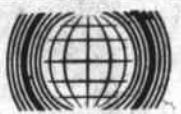
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Voters of Tewksbury and Wilmington

My heartfelt thanks to the Voters of Tewksbury and Wilmington who once again gave me the top vote on the ballot in both communities.

I will continue to work diligently on your behalf as I have done in the past.

(Signed) Representative James Miceli

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coming events

Wed., Nov. 5 thru Nov. 19: 7 to 9:30 p.m. Wil. Rec. Youth Basketball sign-up nights at High School gym. Parents should accompany youths.

Wed., Nov. 12: 8 p.m. Monthly meeting of St. Thomas Women's Club at Villanova Hall.

Wed., Nov. 12: 8 p.m. Tewks. Garden Club's Annual Christmas program at Dewing Sch. Rte. 133.

Thurs., Nov. 13: 9:30 to 11 a.m. TB and lead testing of children by Tewks. Town nurse. 851-6371 for appt.

Thurs., Nov. 13: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Holly Fair by Aux. N.E. Me. Hosp., Stoneham. All welcome.

Thurs., Nov. 13: 1 to 2 p.m. Flu - pneumonia vaccine clinic at Tewks. Town Hall. No appt necessary.

Thurs., Nov. 13: 1 to 3 p.m. Tewks. Health nurse health counseling and blood pressure 851-6371 for appt.

Thurs., Nov. 13: 1:30 p.m. Wil. Golden Age Club meeting and penny sale at Wil. K of C Hall. All seniors welcome.

Thurs., Nov. 13: 7 p.m. Elks Annual Wil. Senior Citizen Night at Elks Hall. Sign up at Senior Center.

Thurs., Nov. 13: 7:30 p.m. Tewks. Welcome Wagon Newcomers' Club meeting at North Street School. 851-5829 for info.

Thurs., Nov. 13: 8 p.m. Meeting of Canadian and British vets at Wil. American Legion Hall.

Fri., and Sat., Nov. 14, 15, 21, 22: 8 p.m. Spotlighters "My Fair Lady" at W.H.S. Tickets 658-4060.

Sat., Nov. 15: 4 p.m. Thanksgiving dinner by Church of Spiritual Life at Red Men's Hall, 9 Center St., Methuen. All welcome.

Sun., Nov. 16: Semi-annual canoe trip on Ipswich River by Ipswich River Watershed Assn. Call Walt. Harmer 887-8671 to register. Non-members welcome.

Sun., Nov. 16: 1 to 5 p.m. Benefit concert for world hunger relief, country and 50's music, W. Newhouse at No. Reading Moose Hall.

Sun., Nov. 16: 4 p.m. Ordination and installation of the Rev. Murdoch, reception following at Wil. Cong. Church.

Wed., Nov. 19: 8 p.m. Parents without Partners, Newcomers Night meeting at Bay State Nat'l Bnk, 84 Main St. (Rt. 28) Andover.

Wed., Nov. 19: 8 p.m. Meeting of the Friends of Harnden Tavern at the Tavern, Wil.

Thurs., Nov. 20: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Annual Tewks. Hosp. Fair in Hall 3. Everyone welcome.

Thurs., Nov. 20: 1 p.m. Diabetes and Blood Pressure clinic at Wil. Senior Center.

Thurs., Nov. 20: Fall luncheon "Fashion Wisdom" Wil. Women's Club at Methodist Church.

Thurs., Nov. 20: 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free lecture "If child doesn't want to go to school" by Mystic Valley Health Center at Sacred Heart Church, Lexington.

Thurs., Nov. 20: 7:30 to 10 p.m. 4-H Clubs of Tewks. awards program at Dewing School. Refreshments and entertainment. Public invited.

Fri., Nov. 21: 7 p.m. Monte Carlo night at Holiday Inn by Tewks. Police.

Fri. and Sat., Nov. 21 and 22: Annual Harvest Fair, So. Tewks. Methodist Church, Main St., Rte. 38.

Sat. and Sun. Nov. 21 and 22: 10:30 to 10:30 p.m. Holiday Round-Up Fair at Masonic Hall, Victor Drive, Tewks. All welcome.

Sat., Nov. 22: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ipswich River conference at Holiday Inn, Peabody.

Sat., Nov. 22: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Glen Road School Holiday Fair. All welcome.

Sat., Nov. 22: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wil. Shawheen School Parents' Annual Holiday Bazaar at the school.

Sat., Nov. 22: 7:30 p.m. Annual Fathers' Night of Mothers of Twins Club; pot luck supper and Monte Carlo at Russell Mills Tennis Club, Chelmsford.

Sat., Nov. 22: 8 p.m. Scholarship Fund Dance by Tewks. Youth Hockey at K of C Hall, Tewks.

Mon., Nov. 24: 8:30 p.m. Gypsy Moth Symposium by Tewks. Bd. of Health at T.M.H.S. Public urged to attend.

Sat., Nov. 22: 8 p.m. Grand Finale of Wil. 250th Anniv. at Shriners' Auditorium.

Sat., Nov. 22: 8 p.m. Scholarship Fund Dance at K of C Hall by Tewks. Youth Hockey.

Sun., Nov. 23: 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Bloodmobile at Tewks. K of C Hall. Frank Antonelli, Chmn.

Sat., Nov. 29: 1 p.m. Basketball clinic, 9 and 10 year old boys, for girls at 2:15 p.m. at W.H.S. gym.

Sat., Dec. 6: Church Fair at Baptist Church, No. Tewksbury.

Sat., Dec. 6: 8:30 a.m. Placement Exam at Central Catholic H.S. for 8th graders. Register at school before Dec. 5.

Sun., Dec. 7: 1 to 4 p.m. Christmas social at Harnden Tavern, Wil.

Thurs., Dec. 11: 8 p.m. Meeting of Canadian and British vets at Wil. Am. Legion Hall.

Coast Guard Academy accepting applications

Congressman James Shannon has announced that the United States Coast Guard Academy is now accepting and processing applications for appointment as cadet, U.S. Coast Guard, Class of 1985.

Applications are being accepted from both men and women.

Shannon stressed that appointments to the United States Coast Guard Academy are tendered solely on the basis of annual nationwide competition, with no congressional appointments or geographical quotas involved.

Applications for appointment must be submitted to the Director of Admissions, United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn. 06320

prior to December 15, 1980.

Candidates for appointment must arrange to participate in either the College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Testing Assessment (ACT).

The competition for appointment as cadet is based on the candidate's high school rank, performance on either the SAT or ACT, and leadership potential as demonstrated in participation in high school extracurricular activities, community affairs, and/or part-time employment. Most successful candidates rank in the top quarter of their high school class, and demonstrate proficiency in both the Mathematical and Applied Science fields.

To qualify for the competition, an

applicant must be unmarried at the time of appointment, have no legal obligation resulting from a previous marriage, and must have reached the age of 17 but not 22 by July 1, 1981. All applicants must be assured of graduation by June 30, 1981.

Applicants must also have completed three units in English, and three in Mathematics and Plane or Coordinate Geometry or their equivalents. Applicants must also fulfill basic physical and moral requirements.

Applications and additional information may be obtained by writing to: Director of Admissions, United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn. 06320; or call 223-3617.

Terry Morrissey graduated from boot camp

BTFA Terence (Terry) F. Morrissey, son of Mrs. Malvena Morrissey and the late Thomas J. Morrissey Sr. of Tewksbury, is home on leave after graduation from Boiler Technician School.

Terry reported for active duty in May, and graduated from recruit training in July. He attended boot camp at Great Lakes, Ill.

He has orders to report to an Aircraft Carrier, the USS Independence, homeported in Norfolk, Va. Upon reporting, he will be advanced one paygrade to boiler technician fireman (E-3), and will begin preparation for testing for his next paygrade.

Terry is a 1979 graduate of Tewksbury High School, and attended Northeastern University. He enlisted in April 1980 under the delayed entry program with a Boiler Technician School guarantee.

His recruiter was Jesse Hicks at 101 Middle St., Lowell.

The air you breathe

On Thursday, November 13, the Occupational Health Program in conjunction with the Health Education Office of the Regional Health Center in Wilmington will sponsor a free pulmonary (lung function) screening, open to anyone in the community. It will be held from 1-3 p.m. and again from 7 to 9 p.m. in the large conference room at the Regional Health Center. A short presentation on environmental pollutants will be given at 12:45 p.m. and at 6:45 p.m. by Barbara K. Hathaway, Nurse Practitioner and Industrial Hygienist, Coordinator of the Occupational Health Program at RHCW.

The Great American Smoke Out Day is on November 20 this year and there will be literature available at the testing session to assist those interested in quitting the smoking habit. Refreshments will be served.

Forest Street Episcopal Chapel

Sunday Worship will be held at 11:30 a.m. at the Wilmington Episcopal Chapel of Forest Street, at Aldrich Road.

Health Center fund

Friends, relatives and loved ones honored by contributions in their memory to the Regional Health Center in Wilmington this week include:

In memory of Sebastian Agri (Winchester), mother of Pete Agri, from Betty and Francis Downs and Elizabeth Andrews.

In memory of Na-Na Agri from the Downs kids: Bill and Bev, John and Glenna, Frank, Phyllis and Mack.

In memory of the Rev. Lewis Chase (Maine) brother of Mrs. Barbara Brogan from those Ayotte Street Downses and Mrs. "A."

In memory of the Rev. Lewis Chase (Maine) brother of Mrs. Dorothy Darling from those Ayotte Street Downses and Mrs. "A."

In memory of Hugh Kelleher from the Parents and Friends of the Boutwell School.

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obituary

Dorothy Stowe was member of Salvation Army Corps

Mrs. Dorothy N. (Edmester) Stowe of 3 Meadow Lane, Wilmington died at her home on Sunday. She was 74

years of age at the time of her death and was the widow of Everett B. Stowe, who died October 17.

Mrs. Stowe was a longtime member of the Salvation Army Corps in Everett. Born in 1905, she was the daughter of Walter and Carrie (Newcomb) Edmester and was a member of Ione Rebekah Lodge 129, IOOS Everett.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy E. Noel of Wilmington; a sister Mrs. Doris Warren of Everett; two grandsons and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Salvation Army Citadel, Chelsea at 10 a.m.

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Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 5, Chapter 168 of Massachusetts General Laws, the

Reading Savings Bank,

Reading, Massachusetts has filed an application with the Commissioner of Banks for permission to relocate its Wilmington branch office from 386 Main Street to 370 Main Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts.

All comments relative to this proposal must be communicated in writing to the Office of the Commissioner of Banks, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02202 no later than November 22, 1980. The application and all communications in favor or protest thereof are available for inspection by any person at the office of the Commissioner of Banks.

GERALD T. MULLIGAN
Commissioner
of Banks

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births

CORCORAN: Caitlin Alison, first child to Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Corcoran of Sheridan Road, Wilmington on October 26 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arnold of Sheridan Road, Wilmington and Mrs. Geraldine Corcoran of Woburn Street, Wilmington.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Katherine Corcoran of Melrose and Mrs. Hazel Arnold of Somerville.

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Birthdays

Either a typo or a mathematical error made in this column last week caused a young lady a little grief. Sherri Cushing of Washington Avenue, Wilmington celebrated her 16th birthday on November 11, and not her 14th as reported.

November 14 will mark the special day of at least four Wilmington residents - Esther Sargent of Morse Avenue, Joe Lynch of Grove Avenue, Susan Mahoney of Evans Drive and Kathy Madden of Shawsheen Avenue.

Edith Zambarnardi of Elwood Road, Wilmington will be celebrate her birthday on November 15 and will share greetings with William Gately of Oakdale Road, Basil Weatherbee of West Street, Irene Saunders of Fairmeadow Road and Tewksbury residents Matthew Small of Pine Street who will be 10 years old on the 15th and Debbie Drasawski of Hillcrest Road who will blow out the candles for the 11th time on November 15.

Melanie Danner of North Street, Tewksbury will face a birthday cake glowing with nine candles on November 16 and will share her special day with John Doucette of Westdale Avenue, Wilmington, Christopher Burke of Dorothy Avenue, Francis McKenna of Middlesex Avenue, Charlene Dellascio of Marion Street and Hazel Meyer of Pilling Road.

Town Crier Circulation Manager Cathy Pacini of Boisvert Road, Tewksbury will turn another page on November 17 and will share greetings with John Salven of Rousevelt Road who will make it all the way to 16 on November 17.

Mary Denault of Glendale Circle, Wilmington will be a year wiser on November 18 as will Pam Sullivan of Lawrence Street.

The ladies will have to make room on their November 18 birthday for William Judge of Westland Drive, Tewksbury who will be celebrating for the 15th time on the same day.

Carol Hines of Claire Street, Tewksbury will be serenaded by friends and relatives for the 14th time on November 19.

James Fardin of Bradford Road, Tewksbury will blow out the candles for the 11th time on November 20.

Others celebrating on November 20 include Tammy Ford of Westdale Avenue, Wilmington, Debbie Elliott of Brand Avenue and Hannah O'Connors of Swain Road.

Although he's been claiming the day longer, Al Kasabowski of Laite Road, Wilmington will have to share his November 21 birthday with Libby Fosgate of Burlington Avenue, Kevin McKelvey of Border Avenue, Shelley O'Connell of Broad Street who will be 10 years old on November 21, Joey Zukas of McDonald Road, who will celebrate his fifth birthday on November 21 with friends at a Burger King party and Sean Dennehy of

Barbara D. Lane, Tewksbury, who will be 11 on November 21.

Laura DeMarco of Kenwood Avenue, Wilmington will face a birthday cake glowing with four candles on November 22 and will share her special day with Atty. James Banda of Marie Drive and Tewksbury residents Tony Galinis of Edgar Avenue and Carol Bucknam of Chapion Street.

Anniversaries

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ahern of Wildwood Street, Wilmington will dance the Anniversary Waltz for the 40th time on November 16.

The Roger Worths of Liberty Street, Wilmington will celebrate their 36th wedding anniversary on November 18.

To enter

To enter an item in Bits and Pieces, call the Town Crier at 658-2346 days and Tuesday nights or 658-2907 other nights and weekends.

From the fire log

Members of Wilmington's Fire Department answered 32 calls for assistance last week including:

Seven brush fires, 13 ambulance runs, six service calls, one bomb scare, two car fires, two false alarms and one call for mutual aid.

Canoe trip

The Ipswich River Watershed Association will sponsor its semi-annual canoe trip on the Ipswich River, November 16. This is a family event for anyone interested in canoeing. Call 887-8671 for information. Non-members will be welcome.

Legion social

American Legion Post 136 will sponsor a social Saturday evening beginning at 7:30. There will be dancing and plenty of food. Public invited. Donation \$4.00.

Third for Tewksbury

The Tewksbury High School Marching Band captured third place in the Marching Band competition sponsored by the New England Scholastic Band Association in Byfield recently. Eleven area bands competed in the event.

Joseph Musumeci, director of music at Tewksbury High School said the third place finish was especially impressive because of the marching band's relative inexperience in competition. He had special commendation for Peter LaFlamme, the director of the Marching and his staff, and to drum majors Sandy Metcalf and Kathy Relias.

Newcomers to meet

The Tewksbury Welcome Wagon Newcomers Club will hold its monthly meeting Thursday, Nov. 13, at the North Street School at 7:30 p.m.

For information call Patty at 851-5829.

Royal Canadian Legion

Post No. 177 the Royal Canadian Legion, meets the second Thursday of each month at American Legion Hall, Wilmington at 8 p.m.

All Canadian veterans and British veterans and their sons and daughters are eligible for membership.

The Legion is interested in all veterans, particularly those who have service connected disabilities.

Mass at St. Thomas

A Mass for the "celebration of life," will be offered by Fr. Francis Daley and the membership of St. Thomas Women's Club, at the monthly meeting, November 12 at 8 p.m.

Following the mass, Fr. Luke Ciampi of the Christian Formation Center in West Andover will speak on the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Holiday Round-up Fair

A Holiday Round-up Fair by Acacia Chapter O.E.S. will be held Friday and Saturday, November 21 and 22, at the Masonic Hall, Victor Drive, Tewksbury. The fair will open at 10:30 a.m. both days.

A lobster luncheon will be served on Friday - beef stew on Saturday. Assorted sandwiches will also be served.

A prime rib supper will be offered at 6:30 on Saturday. Reservations may be made by calling 658-6869 or

658-6024.

Tables will include baked goods, plants, toys, handmade items, white elephant, kiddie's table, greeting cards and holiday decorations. Fortune telling and pony rides (weather permitting) will also be available.

This one's not ours

Gregg W. Hooper of Allen Park Drive almost celebrated his birthday two days early this year. It seems that the person who supplied the information was a bit off. Gregg's birthday is Nov. 16, not Nov. 14.

Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. George Hooper of Allen Park Drive, Wilmington celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on November 2.

Hospital fair

The annual Tewksbury Hospital Fair will be held in Hall 3, at the hospital from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on November 20.

Among the highlights will be raffles, a country store and a white elephant table. Public invited.

New type conference

The Ipswich River Basin Water Supply Conference, to be held at Holiday Inn, Rt. 1, Peabody (Sat. Nov. 22, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) is the first of

a new type of conference. It will be issue oriented and will deal with the total management of this particular watershed.

Those interested in clean water and how the management of the Ipswich River will affect it, are urged to register with the Salem-Beverly Water Supply Bd., 50 Arlington St., Beverly, 01915. Registration fee is \$2. Lunch at the Inn costs \$3 to \$5 and that should be mentioned in order to reserve a place.

Sen. Robert Buell of Boxford will speak on town problems. The conference is sponsored by state agencies and commissions as well as industry, conservation and greenbelt association and the Audubon Society.

Women's Club

"Wardrobe Wisdom" will be the program Thursday, November 20 at the Wilmington Women's Club meeting under the direction of President Marion Woller, with fashion consultant, Anna Keenan Dixon.

Guests of honor will be Mrs. F. William Ahearn, first vice president MSFWC also state veterans' chairman Mrs. Malcolm McNall.

The fall luncheon preceding the meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Donald Rich and her committee.

Registration at Central Catholic

All eighth graders who are interested in attending Central Catholic High School in Lawrence in September 1981 should register for the High School Placement Exam. This registration is open until December 5, 1980.

Registration will be held in the Main Office at Central Catholic High School, 300 Hampshire St., Lawrence. A fee of \$5.00 is payable at the time of the test registration.

Registration hours are from 8 a.m.

to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Placement Exam will take place on Saturday, December 6, 1980, at 8:30 a.m. at Central Catholic High School. It will be re-administered on Saturday, December 13, 1980, for those who cannot make the exam on December 6. Arrangements must be made ahead of time for this latter test.

For additional information, please contact Central Catholic between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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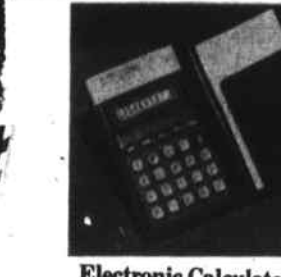
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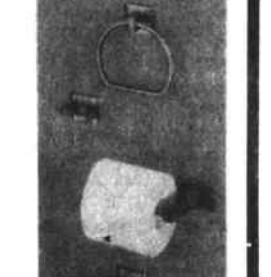
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Wednesday: Oven Turkey with Gravy, Mashed Potato, Garden Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Buttered Roll, Chocolate Pudding.

Thursday: Chilled Juice, Tuna Salad Roll, Crispy Coleslaw, Frosted Yellow Cake and Milk.

Friday: Chilled Juice, Italian Style Pizza, Tomato and Cheese, Garden Salad, Ice Cream and Milk.

Junior and Senior High

Monday: Chicken Croquettes with Gravy, Mashed Potato, Buttered Carrots, Homemade Roll and Butter, Applesauce and Milk.

Tuesday: Orange Juice, Veal Cutlet with Tomato Sauce on a Bulkie Roll, Julienne Potato, Snickerdoodle Cookie and Milk.

Wednesday: Oven Turkey with Gravy, Mashed Potato, Garden Peas, Buttered Roll, Chocolate Pudding and Milk.

Thursday: Chilled Juice, Tuna Salad Roll, Crispy Coleslaw, Frosted Yellow Cake and Milk.

Friday: Chilled Juice, Italian Style Pizza with Tomato and Cheese, Garden Salad, Ice Cream and Milk.

Wilmington school cafeteria menu

All schools
Monday: Frankfurt on a Roll, French Fries, Buttered Vegetable, Cookies and Milk.

Tuesday: Beef Cannelloni with Meat Sauce, Buttered Green Beans, French Bread and Butter, Dessert and Milk.

Wednesday: Chilled Juice, Ham

and Cheese on a Roll, Buttered Vegetables, Scooters and Milk.

Thursday: Roast Turkey Dinner, Creamy Mashed Potato or Sweet Potato, Buttered Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Milk and Cookies.

Friday: Chilled Applesauce, Fish-majig on a Roll, Buttered Corn, Ice Cream or Cookies and Milk.

Shawsheen Tech menu

Monday: Baked Ravioli with Cheese in Casserole, Buttered Green Beans, Cheese Wedges, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Chilled Fruit in Syrup and Milk - or - Italian Meatball Sub with Tomato Sauce, Grated Cheese, Buttered Green Beans, Chilled Fruit in Syrup and Milk.

Tuesday: Breaded Veal Patti, Whipped Potato, Gravy, Buttered Peas, Fresh Baked, Buttered Roll, Gelatin with Topping and Milk - or - Frankfurt in a Roll, Baked Beans, French Fries, Condiments, Cole Slaw, Gelatin with Topping and Milk.

Wednesday: Chicken Pattie, Whipped Potato, Gravy, Buttered Corn Niblets, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Pudding with Topping and Milk -

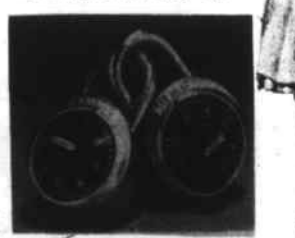
or - Hamburger on a Roll, Sautéed Green Peppers, French Fries, Crisp Garden Salad, Pudding with Topping and Milk.

Thursday: Crisp Fish Portion, Whipped Potato, Buttered Carrots, Tartar Sauce and Cat-sup, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Ice Cream and Milk - or - Vegetable Soup, Tuna Salad Roll with Lettuce, French Fries, Carrot Sticks, Ice Cream and Milk.

Friday: Chilled Cranapple Juice, Spanish Olives, Sweet Mixed Pickles, Celery stuffed with Cream Cheese, Cranberry Sauce, Turkey with Giblet Gravy, Savory Bread Stuffing, Whipped Potato, Buttered Fresh Garden Peas, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Midnight Chocolate Cake and Milk.



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letters to the editor

Dear Larz:

Recently, I had a very heart-warming experience that I should like to share with my neighbors.

The Wilmington High School "Open Campus" program has permitted many students to spend school hours on the town common next to my home.

Some students pulled down the boulders that serve as a fence and used them as seats. Others occupied their time by painting and carving graffiti on the side of my garage bordering on the common.

I have not filed a complaint hoping that these problems would not increase and deteriorate my property further.

The other day two young gentlemen from the High School came to my home and introduced themselves as Chairpersons Bob Morris and Vice-Chairperson George Hooper, both representing the Wilmington High School Student Conference Committee.

They announced that the Student Council had noticed the damage to the fence and to the garage and wanted

permission to remedy it. They had decided to replace the huge boulders and to sandpaper, cover and paint-out the graffiti and then repaint the side of the garage.

I gave them the necessary permission and asked for the names of the other civic-minded students involved.

They were: Kim McCabe, Mark Micaliazi, Nancy Gauthier and Dorothy Orio.

I also wish to commend the school principal, Dr. Eisenberg, for fostering an atmosphere that encourages students to assume civic responsibility as an integral part of their education.

Another example of this was the planning and construction of the beautiful gazebo on the common as a student project several years ago.

The problem of the misbehavior of the few students always receives publicity and I sincerely hope that this letter will help to assure the community of the inherent worth and decency of the majority of our young people.

Sincerely yours,
Dr. Herbert H. Silverman

Dear Larz:

This is in reply to the letter written by Arlene Surprenant, which appeared in last week's Town Crier. The answer to your question, Arlene, is no, I do not sleep well. You see I live on Lake Street and as the town knows, we have been victims of hoodlums many times before.

On Halloween night my son's bedroom window was shot at with a pellet gun. Later that night a beer bottle was thrown at my picture window and my front door was kicked in, all while we watched television. After calling the police, my husband was humiliated by a sergeant. Maybe, if the sergeant had not spent so much time carrying on the charades on Lake Street, maybe one of the patrol cars would have been able to patrol the neighborhood and maybe, just maybe, there would not have been anymore damage to other homes in the area. Later that night, hoodlums came back and set the empty Whitaker barn on fire.

My main reason for writing this letter is to the parents of these hoodlums. I cannot believe that their parents do not know what is going on. I guess they just don't care. The

police have been to their homes many times. The parents lie and cover up for their sons, but do nothing to stop them. Is it that you, as parents of these boys do not care as long as they are out of your sight and not bothering you? It seems this way. Have you, as parents, lost all control of your sons and allow them to do anything they want? Do you ever wonder where your sons are at 10, 11, 12 p.m. and later? Why aren't they home where they belong? Why are they roaming our streets? As long as they do not damage your home you don't care what they do to anyone else. What is our society coming to, where is our pride in ourselves, our children, our neighborhoods? It is frightening to think what we are becoming. When are we, as citizens, going to stand up and be counted?

When I was in the police station the call came from Arlene's home, the sergeant said, "See, you are not the only one." I asked him if that was supposed to make me feel better, because it didn't. Is this the attitude of the police? If it happens to one it's alright to happen to another?

Since Chief Stewart has taken over we have received more cooperation

from the police department than we ever did. My thanks for this, also my thanks to Officers MacKinnon and Waterhouse for the way my family was treated by them on Halloween night. As far as the sergeant is concerned, the way I feel is better left unsaid. I think he needs to straighten up his act, to put it mildly.

Sincerely,
Joan Nicoll

Dear Larz:

I'm deliberately writing this letter too early to know the results of the vote on Question Two. It's also too late for this to make anyone change his or her mind. Therefore it's a perfect time to release a penned-up opinion.

The opponents of Proposition 2½ are backed by real professionals. Professionals in the art of creating fear among school children, older citizens, and the more gullible among us.

All the nay-sayers have been feeding at the public trough for years. I can understand their anxiety at being threatened with a partial cut off of their feed, but if we had responsible public officials, particularly in the

Mass. House and Senate we wouldn't be in this mess today.

I hope that Question Two has passed by the time this has been published.

Whatever the outcome I would like to state my contempt for the actions of both the Wilmington and Shawsheen Tech School Committees and administration for the publication of political releases disguised as "information bulletins." It is morally and ethically disgusting for them to use taxpayer dollars that were allocated for education of children to turn out political broadsides.

I would further like to congratulate the League of Women Voters, both locally and nationally, for showing their true colors. Their local opposition to 2½ demonstrates their socialistic thoughts that government knows best how to spend our dollars. Nationally their suppression of free speech by not allowing Mr. Anderson to debate further emphasized their political bias toward the left. Once this was a fine organization, too bad it isn't any longer.

If 2½ hasn't passed I hope that the voters will remember the League and the trough-munchers when Bulger, McGee and their cronies whomp us again with more taxes for their own private interests.

If 2½ has passed. Hooray!!
Now if we can get rid of county government and the MBTA.

Sincerely,
Wilbur MacKinnon

editorial

The right of free speech is an inherent freedom of the people of the United States. It is a hard won freedom that must be preserved.

The right of free speech is not something that is always 100 percent right. One does not stand up in a theatre and yell "Fire!"

Just because a law is good 99.9 percent of the time is no reason to say that it is always right.

The US government agency has promulgated certain rules whereby certain social institutions shall be located. One of the results of that is the proposed location of some housing, in Wilmington, near the shopping center.

There has been a reaction. It is similar to that which has been occurring in South Boston for the past 10 years. South Boston and the Silver Lake District have much in common, both historically and ethnically, and the rising conflict could have been predicted.

Some government office holders will remark that what is feared by Silver Lake residents will not occur. The proposed housing, quite literally, can be occupied by present day residents of Wilmington, and a

waiting list would still be in existence.

But such remarks will not erase the daily impressions that the Silver Lake residents receive from the six p.m. TV news broadcasts. Such remarks will not erase the knowledge of the previous mistakes of that governmental agency, mistakes that were in the multi-million dollar scope.

The fears, probably unfounded, of the Silver Lake residents do not stand alone. In other parts of this community, and in other communities the same fears can be found. They may be wrong, but they do exist.

There are some common sense answers. Just as one does not yell "Fire" in a theatre, so should one not introduce a possible spark into what might be a powder keg.

Why is the proposed housing being located at that particular site? Because of a US governmental agency, and its rules. Again, there are better places, not necessarily together in Wilmington.

A little common sense thinking should be a way of the life of Wilmington and of other communities. The social welfare that is desired could be existing in this town, with well thought out programs.

Wilmington crime watch

by William E. Gable

The do's and don't's of house numbers. More times than not when an emergency vehicle must respond to a call at someone's home, it is very difficult if not impossible to locate a house number on a building. The town of Wilmington bylaws provide for house numbers in Chapter 5, Section 22 as follows:

House numbers
"Section 22. The Board of Assessors shall assign and order numbers to be displayed on buildings on all public ways as herein provided. In all cases, odd numbers shall be on the right and even numbers shall be on the left, beginning from the point of origin. Upon being notified in writing by the Board of Assessors of the assignment of a house number, the owner of the property shall affix this number to the property within thirty (30) days of the date of said notice. Said number shall be affixed to a position which is in close proximity to the entrance, but must be clearly visible from the curb.

If the house or building is set back fifty (50) feet or more the curb, said number shall be affixed to a substantial support at the entrance of the property, (such that the number is clearly visible from the curb at all times.)."

The crime prevention unit advises residents to follow this bylaw by making sure the number is in plain view. A good location is in the center of the front steps between the top and the first step.

Placing your last name next to your front or rear door should be avoided because it is a favorite trick of the unscrupulous salesman to use your name when trying to sell to a neighbor. Post office regulations require residents of RFD routes to have their name on their mail box. If you want to avoid this please contact your local post office about alternatives.

Remember to always give your name and house number when calling for an emergency, but never give the thief an even break!!

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 21, 1980

To Captain Larz Neilson

I am pleased to congratulate you, your staff and readers as the Town Crier celebrates its 25th anniversary.

A free press is one of our most cherished institutions. Thomas Jefferson wrote that "the basis of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right...."

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I wish you every continuing success as you carry out your noble mission -- so indispensable to our great democracy.

Sincerely,



Captain Larz Neilson
Publisher
Town Crier
Post Office Box 460
Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887

Dear Larz:

May I, through you, sir, publicly commend our Fire Chief, Daniel Wandell, on his judgement, perception, concern for citizens and his leadership in removing fire apparatus and personnel from the Deming Way Housing as the result of the WHA (Mr. Borazzo) request for the town (fire department) for payment for the use of this site for an estimated nine week period? The payment was said to be for heat, electricity and telephone.

May I suggest that the heat is on at all times, the electricity, I am quite sure, would not be absolutely necessary - a judgement of the chief and as we all know two way radios are and have been in use by the protective services of this town for many years.

I, as one of many, cannot understand the request of the WHA (Mr. Borazzo). This is just another instance of the WHA showing a total insensitivity to the feelings and wishes of this community and represents their attitude of the public and voters be damned, we are going to do it our way. One of the most recent occurrences was the WHA refusing to hear concerned citizens at a public meeting, due to a violation of a board ruling. i.e.: A written request must be received by the board three business days prior to the meeting. Where have the good old town meeting days, freedom of speech and citizens' right be heard at public meetings gone?

This recent action against the fire department should firmly and finally cement the attitudes and concerns of the WHA in the hearts and minds of every citizen and voter in this town, in an ever present, on going struggle, over elderly and other housing.

I hope and pray, the town manager and selectmen, our governing body, now will take notice and positive action in placing this board (WHA) on the proper step of the ever rising steps of city and town governments and with the present feeling of its citizens knock it off the lofty perch it has occupied for the past two years.

Again Chief Wandell and firefighters, thank you, good luck and congratulations for standing up and showing concern, responsibility, and attention to all the residents of Wilmington.

Yours for good government through peace of mind;

Duncan S. McNeill
25 Oakridge Circle

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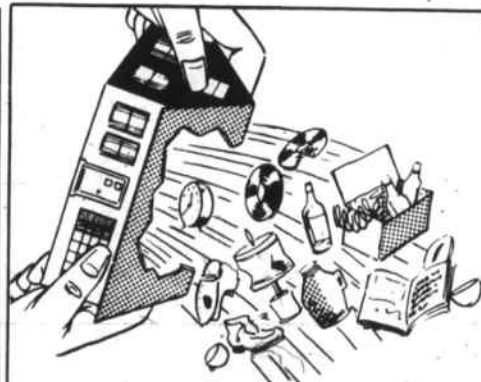
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The cause of dental erosion is not understood and is typically a human disease; it is not found in animals. However, it is likely that it is caused by a chemical action combined with friction. Constant contact with concentrated acid substances, such as undiluted lemon juice, may play some part in the erosive process. It is estimated that dental erosion affects from one to 10 percent of our population. It can be diagnosed and treated. Another good reason for penetrating and the eroding process invades the underlying dentin. The involved teeth may become very sensitive to hot or cold food and drink and the eroded surface may be painful, even to the touch of a toothbrush.

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FROM THE HAND OF THE VETERINARIAN TO RESEARCH

Wilmington shaped by roads, zoning

Twenty-five years ago it was possible in Wilmington to know when the three year term of office for Selectman Charles Black was about to end. Four or five months before that date Charlie would start to pester the town manager about the poor condition of the roads in town. Charlie's message was that it was time that something was done to the back roads.

That message might have been lost on the town manager, who was strictly limited by budget difficulties. It was not lost however, upon the voters. Charlie would be re-elected with a comfortable majority.

His message was symptomatic not only of Wilmington, but of other towns and cities of Middlesex County. There was a burgeoning population, and a town budget solely made up of taxes taken from the homes of people who were themselves hard pressed.

In some communities today the roads are still in poor condition.

It was just about 25 years ago that some decisions were made which greatly changed the town. Foremost in those decisions was the Zoning Bylaw of 1955. Another decision was that of putting street acceptance and water main installation on the Betterment Plan, so called.

The 1955 zoning bylaws were a part of a massive effort by many people. There were several hundred volunteers, working in committees, in an effort to upgrade the town. All were unpaid.

The Wilmington Planning Board and the town manager combined to get those zoning bylaws, and others stood by, ready to help. The opportunity came when the federal government constructed a highway, now Route 93.

The town manager and many volunteers attended the public sessions in Boston and elsewhere in which the planning of that highway was discussed. There was always someone who was ready to point out why some seemingly obscure point should be examined, and who had a better idea on how to overcome the difficulty.

The Wilmington people made a nuisance of themselves. The result was noteworthy. Four interchanges were made, in one community, to overcome the many protests of residents. Four interchanges, in one small town. It is still almost unbelievable.

Then the town manager and the planning board set to work. They found the best possible professional advice, a professor of government from Harvard University, and hired him to prepare new zoning laws for the town.

The result was monumental. Areas were zoned for residential housing which were close to an interchange. Other areas were zoned for industrial construction which were close to an interchange. Convenience to the public, and keeping out-of-town trucks off the Wilmington streets were two inherent thoughts.

The industrial concepts were especially noteworthy. Wilmington's town counsel of that day wrote them in such a way as to prohibit certain industrial practices which today are the subject of much comment in other communities, as undesirable. It was simple. The zoning bylaws were so written that anything was prohibited which was not mentioned as being permitted.

Other communities have industrial problems which Wilmington does not have, as a result of that bylaw.

Those bylaws have been amended, during the years, and not all the amendments have enhanced the law. Those bylaws are still a work that is to be admired and desired in many communities. The people of Wilmington can be proud of them.

It can be noted that, insofar as this paper knows, Time Magazine has only once taken note of a set of community bylaws, in its pages. Those bylaws were the 1955 Bylaws of Wilmington.

Charlie Black's favorite election posture was taken out from under his feet at about the same time as the bylaws were put through.

Every year there were many articles in the annual town warrant, for construction and acceptance of many named streets, and for extension of water mains to many named streets. The burden was more than the local taxpayers could bear.

Back about 30 years ago a committee had been formed to oversee the extension of water mains into the various streets of the town. They had a sum of money which they were not to exceed. They had to pick the streets which were the most deserving, from many viewpoints.

A formula was devised, thanks to the man who was chairman of the Board of Health. It took the many factors into consideration, and for some years the town meeting continued to vote as the committee recommended.

Finally, about 25 years ago things had arrived at the point where older residents were no longer getting water mains on their streets, because the newer residents could put forth a better claim, under that formula.

The town meeting was told that the time had come to stop the work of that committee. That was the message. Instead, the town meeting was told, the time had come to insist that all water extensions be by the betterment plan. Let the newcomers pay for their own water was the message, for those who had been in town for years, but were too far away, it was just too bad.

The betterment plan was voted, and the results were significant. The selectmen lost no time in putting street acceptance under the same plan. Money that had been used for patchwork could now be used for planned improvements.

Wilmington's water mains and Wilmington's streets today are the result of those votes of 25 years ago.

There is more to the story. As a result of the new zoning bylaws and other improvements that had come to Wilmington one of the largest industrial firms in the United States decided to locate in this town. That firm was Avco.

Wilmington began to receive taxes of about \$500,000 a year from "Uncle Avco", as this paper fondly called the firm.

Wilmington now had a good basis for some local government decisions, and some money to spend in implementing those decisions.

Charlie Black, if he were alive today, would never be re-elected by pointing to the poor conditions of some of the back roads of this town.

Spotlighters present 'My Fair Lady'

The Wilmington Spotlighters will present "My Fair Lady" on Friday and Saturday, November 14, and 15 and 21 and 22, at Wilmington High School's Barrows Auditorium on Route 62 in Wilmington at 8 p.m.

The director is Celia Bartolotti, a Maynard High School teacher, who was successful at directing "Godspell", "Charlie Brown and Fidler on the Roof". The music director is Betty Maliszewski a Lowell Public School

teacher. The conductor is Ken Hanson, orchestra director at chrestation, professional costuming and a unique two story turntable set. The production has a budget of more than \$5000.00, bringing a little bit of Broadway to the town of Wilmington. Admission is \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12, and senior citizens over 60. For further information call 658-4060 or 658-6048. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Concert for world hunger

A concert to benefit world hunger relief will be held on Sunday, Nov. 16 at the North Reading Moose Hall, from 1 to 5 p.m. Arranged by Warren Newhouse, the concert will feature three country and

fifties bands. The Invaders, Country Junction, and Warren and the Jacks will play.

Tickets to the concert are \$3. For tickets or information, call 658-4673 or 272-5520.



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The Nee-Ellsworth Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars had a good turnout for the Veterans' Day parade.

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Twenty five years at random

1955

The first issue of the Town Crier of Wilmington (Nov. 17, 1955) carried an item saying that at a meeting earlier that week, Town Manager Joseph Courtney explained the complications of straightening West Street to the board of selectmen; at about the same time, John Imbimbo was appointed a police sergeant.

1956

In mid-1956 it was predicted that Avco would double in size; a well house was built at the Barrows Wellfield; Bill Jolly of High Street took delivery of the first Ford Thunderbird in Wilmington; Fred Belissimo of Belmont was named football coach at W.H.S.; the prediction was that the tax rate would be \$58;

The telephone company said that 1600 new phones were to be made available to Wilmington subscribers, thus improving service; Evelyn Ramsdell won a decorated bicycle contest at the Wildwood School, she entered as Lady Marion; newly elected captains of the Women's Bowling League, Jean Waugh, Peg Page, Edie Traill and Marie Butler were hoping they would be able to use the new alleys being constructed on Route 38 by late October - the alleys have come and gone, but the four captains are still going strong; the Wilmington Council of Churches was formed; the Fred F. Cain agency observed its 25th anniversary; the board of health listened to 125 people from East Wilmington complain about the terrible odor in their neighborhood and thousands were said to be spent to remedy the problem;

Evelyn Allgrove, Jean Camber, Donald Mercier and John Ritchie joined the police force; James Shine became commander of the D.A.V.; for the fifth year in a row Charlie Ellsworth cast the first ballot in a local election; Tom Morley retired as a rural mail carrier from the North Wilmington Post Office after 25 years of service and Tom Mackey retired the same day after 40 years of service as a Boston mail carrier;

Representatives of Reading Light spoke to the Baldwin Civic Association regarding recent rate changes; there was talk of retiring the North Wilmington fire engine; Supt. of Schools John Collins announced that there were 2491 students enrolled in Wilmington Schools; the board of selectmen agreed to pay the town clerk for after hours work on election day; the school superintendent's salary was set at \$8750; Weinberg's Department Store at Middlesex Avenue and Main Street held its grand opening; "Carols Through the Ages," an organ and voice concert was presented at the Women's Club meeting by Ken and Billie Wilson; local industries agreed to curb energy use during peak hours and industrial area planning for South Wilmington was being discussed.

1957

The first bituminous concrete road in a residential area of Wilmington was installed on Arlene Avenue; air conditioning was installed in the town hall; 9600 injections of salk vaccine were given; an impromptu "come as you are" breakfast was held at the home of Henry Sullivan on Gunderson Road, and Jane Davidson was the only person fully dressed; George Kambour, W.H.S. teacher moved to New Jersey; mothers, including Fanny Zaccagnini, Ruth Yentile, Mary Smith and Mary Ann Langone lost their ballgame against Little League opponents;

The Wilmington telephone book grew 20 percent; West Street troubles appeared again when a water main was installed and crossed a 15 foot strip of land belonging to John Christopher; selectmen were discussing urban renewal; a proposed addition to the high school was said to have an estimated cost of \$400,000; MDC sewerage entered part of Wilmington, with the assistance of Avco;

Ralph's Barber Shop opened in North Wilmington; Frank Kelley was named a math teacher at W.H.S.; Dr. John Marshall established his practice in Wilmington; Esther Russell became town clerk; a skunk in a cellar on Fairmeadow Road made it necessary for Joe Balestrieri to go up and open the door through which Mr. Skunk obligingly exited;

Bedell Brothers Ins. moved to a new home in the former post office on Main Street; Wilmington's Town Report took first prize from the Mass.

Selectmen's Association; a Burlington Avenue site was chosen for an elderly housing development;

Evelyn Pierce won a turkey at a whist party; the Glen Road School Building Committee was named; Sergeant Shepard got his stripes; Michael Rosa was named Marine Recruit of the Day at Parris Island; Said Mansour of Bethlehem spent the Christmas holidays with the Paul Bodensteins; Annette Visconti sang a solo at a PTA presentation.

1958

Polly Smith was chosen Queen of the Dance at a Rainbow Girls function; Cub Scout Pack, including Dave Boeri, Richard Woller, Dennis Cicari, Thomas Hamilton, Ed Izzo collected a tremendous stack of canned goods for the Community Fund's Christmas effort; Atty. Simon Cutter was named asst. to DA O'Dea of Middlesex County, first Wilmington attorney to hold county office; Wilbur Thomas' house was moved from West Street to Lowell Street in the name of progress;

Lucci's Market opened at what was then Perry's Corner; Carl Backman was injured playing hockey at U Mass when he was hit in the face with a puck - 28 stitches; the population, according to TM Courtney had reached 11,300; David Zaino and Chester Hooper were Midget Class co-champs at Wilmington championships; TM Courtney accepted a state post and tendered his resignation; John Murphy caught a five pound bass in Foster's Pond; Chuck Hazel, Tewksbury coach presented his film of the Wilmington-Tewksbury game at a Booster's Club meeting at the Wildwood School; a Rockport woman announced the engagement of her daughter Jean to Jim Miceli;

Scout Troop 60 got its new charter; William Fay, a senior at W.H.S. represented Wilmington as a Sentaor on Student Government Day at the State House; Ethel Williams was honored as a 50 year Grange member;

The new First Baptist Church was dedicated; Arthur Allgrove was injured in a boating accident in Maine; Governor Foster Furcolo was the guest of the Wilmington Town Democratic Committee at a party in his honor; Deming Way ground breaking took place with George Spanos digging the first shovel full of earth; Bill Smith was chairman of the Wilmington Housing Authority; circulation at the library hit a new high with 317 books being taken out; Jim Miceli was awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management from Northeastern;

Valtz and Kimberly Inc. of Melrose was named to design the Glen Road School; the fourth, fifth and sixth grades went on double sessions for six weeks pending completion of new construction at the high school; Howard Woolaver was appointed to the planning board when Elmer Woller resigned; Freddie Laffin and a friend rescued tables and benches that had been set adrift in Silver Lake; the board of health announced that there were 22 piggeries in Wilmington;

The Bodenstein house was moved from Concord Street to Woburn Street - again in the name of progress, while Paul sat inside and ate his lunch; Thomas Boven, Robert Cornish and George Clements joined the navy;

John Ritchie retired as Little League coach; Joe Carpenter won a bicycle at Lucci's Market; Bob Mullarky, a WHS teacher was granted a leave of absence and taught in Balboa, Canal Zone; Marcia and Donna Ouellette flew to New York - alone to visit relatives; 500 attended open house at the new Methodist Church; walk-outs and in-fighting was noted within the Wilmington Housing Authority;

Stanley Webber was named principal assessor; Sgt. Shepard scored 98 out of a possible 100 points at FBI Firearms Training School; Earl Baldwin beat Vern Randall to the first deer of the season by five hours; \$500 from the Lions Club doubled the size of the bunkhouse at Camp Forty Acres.

1959

Philip Gardner took out a permit to construct a building at 307 Main St; a street renaming program was launched; the Boston and Maine Railroad confirmed its plans to do away with the North Wilmington station; Harvey Hudson received a

special award for his 1,000 hours of service in the Ground Observer Corps; Father John Regan of St. Thomas became an Airforce chaplain;

The Town Crier received a Community Service Award from the New England Weekly Press Association for saving the town \$400,000 by holding the plans for the Glen Road School up to public scrutiny; the Women's Club made plans to reprint Asa Sheldon's book "A Wilmington Farmer;" Avco held open house, the largest facility built in Mass in five years at a cost of \$16,000,000; Del Hunter was elected president of the Scuba Urchins of Wilmington;

An Urban Renewal study was launched; Ernest Eames retired as superintendent of Wildwood

Cemetery and Francis Downs took over; Phil LeDuc of Wilmington Press joined Rotary; Shirley Park enlisted in the Waves;

Eddie Palino won the Best Boxer award at W.H.S.; Johnny Bowen and Dickie Allard made a two day canoe trip down the Ipswich River; Ricky Frolon pitched a no hitter against the Stoneham Falcons (4-0); Esther Nichols retired as school nurse after 40 years of service; 103 students graduated from W.H.S.; Ernest Wallent received a degree of Doctor of Dental Medicine from Tufts University;

Deming Way was dedicated; Town Manager Fred Calabrese resigned and Cecil Lancaster took over; Harold White entered the Order of St. Francis;

Bob Babine was promoted to sergeant at Fort Carson, Colo; Sylvia Levine was appointed school nurse; A and M Fenton Realty opened its doors; DeMoulas came to Wilmington;

Nichols Funeral Home was sold to an Everett man who was expected to do business under the same name; Mary Denault was named secretary to the town manager; Pappy Richards, left-handed fiddler, Estelle Shelley, organist and Al MacMullin, caller lead a square dance; Bruce MacDonald was appointed to the board of appeals; On United Nations Day, Ken Spinelli was the speaker for Red China at WHS; first prize in the photo contest of the evening practical arts class went to William Childs - his

photo was of the Congregational Church.

1960

The Glen Road School was dedicated; Jim Downs was appointed custodian; John Elia was thinking about running for school committee; Kingdom Hall was built; Mrs. Paul MacDonald was the guest of honor at a "stork" shower; the Tewksbury - Wilmington Lodge of Elks dedicated its new hall on South Street; Harvey Elfman was thought to be the youngest businessman in town when he opened his TV service shop; Route 93 was opened from Methuen to 128 in Woburn, with five miles and five turnouts in Wilmington; Flora Kasabuski became the first woman elected to the Housing Authority;

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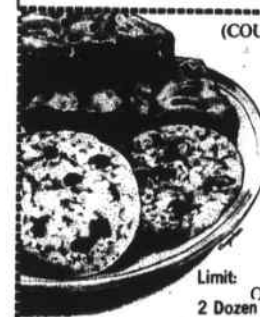
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Wilmington's first picket line appeared at the Benevento gravel pit; the new St. Thomas Church was built in seven months to the day from when it was started; the last mass in the old church which had served since 1888 was celebrated by Father Croke; Officer Ellsworth lost his record, for the first time in eight years he was not the first person to cast his ballot - he was out of town attending police school; Wilmington Bank and Trust opened its doors in the plaza.

1961

John Ritchie during an incident on Church Street was credited with being "a very polite police officer" by a person who marveled - "we never thought a football coach could be so polite;" Webtex Corp started building on Woburn Street; traffic lights were installed at Deming Way and Burlington Avenue; the League of Women Voters was formed; Dr. Wallent opened his office; the latest addition to Wilmington's dentists; H.R. Ritter was the newest plant in town;

Officer Bob Shelley became the youngest man ever to wear a policeman's uniform in Wilmington - a guard at the Avco plant and an auxiliary policeman.

1962

Photon moved to Wilmington from Cambridge; Kingdom Hall was dedicated.

1963

Ernie Crispo retired from the School Committee after 25 years of service; James Szadis AM3 Class was assigned to an Airforce Base in Nebraska; Peg Baker rolled a high triple of 317 with the Reserves Bowling League; during National Library Week the Women's Club donated a tape recorder to the library; Cushman Bakery route man Milt Symonds retired after many years of serving customers in Wilmington and was tendered a small party for which Scotty Laganas who had a bakery shop in Wilmington Plaza baked a cake;

Cicily Spirits took over as Welcome Wagon hostess and called on newcomer Mrs. (town manager) Gerald Bouchard; Old No. Two, horse drawn fire engine stationed at Harriman's Tannery for 40 years and rebuilt by firemen with assistance from Carl Butler won first prize in the Fourth of July parade in Burlington; Al Lynch Jr., visiting the White House with his mother happened to be in the right place at the right time and received a pat on the head from President Kennedy;

Ground was broken for the Woburn Street School; at a meeting of the board of selectmen Jim Banda declared that light rates were too high; modern math was introduced in Wilmington schools; the first customer of the new branch of Reading Co-op on Middlesex Avenue was Anne Woods; Tom MacFeeley was serving with the Army at Fort Dix; Dr. Mobbs started his practice in the Gardner Building; a home lighting Christmas contest sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce was won by Mr. and Mrs. Gustafson.

1964

Stevens Market held an auction and store owners from all over Eastern Mass. were on hand to buy fixtures and appliances; Catherine Filipowicz was named the champion of "Science Count Down '64;" Evelyn Desmarais was named supervising principal of elementary schools after serving both as teacher and principal at the Wildwood School; Glenn Connolly was elected chairman of the School Committee;

Silver Lake Hardware celebrated its 15th anniversary; Kasabuski Brothers Skating Rink was dedicated in Saugus; students at W.H.S. raised \$512 for the Kennedy Memorial Library and received a letter from Jackie; Bessie McMahon retired as clerk of the water department; Jim Banda was named veterans agent; Jeanne Everett drove around town dressed in a green dragon costume to draw attention to the upcoming recital to be given by her students; a sudden windstorm blew the roof off Cain's garage; Elia's Busy Corner Store at West and Lowell streets closed its doors;

Phil Fenton attended summer school at Cornell Academy; Edward Clinch and Lewis Gardner joined the Peace Corps; Henry Porter and Dr. Foster won the Rotary Golf Tournament; the Robert Hall Store opened in the plaza; the new VFW Hall was started on Main Street;

The Lions Club donated \$5500 to eye research; the new post office on Church Street was dedicated; Garden apartments were proposed; Town Crier publisher Larz Neilson was named to the National Editorial Commission; Fred Cain became Wilmington's Representative; Dan Gillis served as heart fund chairman; Peter Kritter, among others went to the Woburn Street school dressed as a Pilgrim;

The North Wilmington post office was closed; Wilmington firemen went to Silver Lake to rescue a duck reportedly frozen in the ice - no need, the duck freed herself; Sterling Morris was named town manager.

1965

Ronald Bodnar won the mythical golden pea spoon for picking the earliest peas; 38 youngsters were enrolled in the Headstart Program; Randy Miscelis was given a first prize for the poster he submitted to a contest conducted by the SPCA; Selectmen Wavie Drew and Charles Black at a meeting suggested they get the ball rolling in regard to widening Lowell Street (129); little Steven McCoy of Nickerson Avenue got stuck in the fireplace and had to have the assistance of police officers to get free; Bonnie Coombs was elected to the Green Key at Green Mountain College, Vermont;

a mini riot broke out on Burnap Street - the policemen won with no injuries and only one small loss - a pair of handcuffs that a prisoner was wearing when he disappeared; the Town Crier was awarded second place in a Better Newspaper contest at the annual meeting of New England Weekly Press Assoc.; Parker's Restaurant on Main street was gutted by fire.

1966

Mary Paulson bowled a high single of 94.4 and was only slightly edged out by Maggie Imbimbo's 94.8; Mrs. Goldsworthy addressed the Taunton Women's Club as chairman of the State and International Affairs Committee of that group; the Planning Board was reduced to five members; Billie Wilson was named to "Who's Who Among American Women";

Anne Mahoney was selected to lead the 1966 Mother's March; James Durkee completed a course in Radiopharmaceutical Technology at the Mass. College of Pharmacy; Barbara Silverman won the oratorical contest and was awarded a war bond by American Legion Post 136;

Walter Pierce was named assistant superintendent of Schools; Frankline Allen was promoted to the position of underwriter by John Hancock Insurance Co.; Barbara Burnham was named to the Dean's List at Bates College in Maine; Roy McClanahan was appointed deputy building inspector.

1967

Officers Shelley and Marci assisted at the unexpected arrival of Mrs. Kuchler's baby and a little later a lovely, appropriately decorated "thank you" cake was delivered to them at the police station; Pamela Hunter won third prize in a Mass. State Accordion contest; Volkswagen bought 40 acres of land in Wilmington; Noreen Smith took first and second prize in an Irish Step Dancing contest held in Dedham;

Frank Tuttle won first prize for his sculpture "Tiki" at an Avco art show; the Town took Baby Beach; David White enlisted in the Airforce; Tommy Jepson ran a two day Dutch Maid party in aid of the Pop Warner Program; Rusty Brabant retired as a cab driver; Father Berube was transferred to Dorchester;

Dennis Rooney was serving with the Marines in Vietnam; Dr. Mobbs bought the former telephone building on Church Street; Dr. Lepore joined Rotary; Librarian Clara Chipman retired from her post at the old library; Phyllis O'Leary attended a spring conference of Savings Bank Women of America at the Statler Hilton; Smithcraft broke ground on Industrial Way; Ernie Crispo was named Elk of the Year; Harold Garrett was appointed assistant principal of the high school.

1968

Wildwood School students were eating in their classrooms as the cafeteria was being used for classes; Dog Officer Leo LeBlanc retired after 23 years on the job; Market Forge of Everett came to Woburn Street; John Elia skied right off a cliff somewhere in New Hampshire; Donald Hudson was serving with the armed forces in Germany;

Wilmington's "nearly perfect" Work Study Program was given state wide attention - working smoothly since '64; the Lake Street bridge was closed due to a fire; Susan Allen was named 1968 Betty Crocker Homemaker of the Year;

Antohny Voles caught a four pound

three ounce bass ice fishing at Foster's Pond; Sweetheart Plastics store opened; Joyce Dalton and Barbara Doucette were awarded four year Den Mother pins; Ray McNamara became vice chairman of the Redevelopment Authority; Charles Ravagni made the Dean's list at Franklin Institute; Mal McKie was elected chair(person) man of the planning board; Joe Balestrieri took over as dog officer;

Eddie Corcoran served as student fire chief during student government week; Miriam (Ware) Collucci retired as town collector and was surprised by co-workers with a cake and a party at town hall; a pheasant flew through the picture window of

the Wentworth home on Christine Drive; Henry Porter announced his retirement as post master; Diane Fielding offered a mature lilac bush to anyone who wanted to move it and pay her 50 cents - she donated the 50 cents to the Vietnam Mailing Program; Karen Reid played the part of the Easter bunny at the Easter pageant at the Wildwood School;

Jim White retired as highway superintendent; Grange Hall was gutted by fire for the second time; plans were being formulated for a women's softball league; David Gage was awarded a Bachelor of Music degree from Lowell State - David is also a graduate of the Perkins In-

stitute for the Blind;

Richard Tufenkjian of Sweetheart Plastics was elected Rotary president; Warren Newhouse's trailer rolled over four times with him and his family in it - at Salisbury Beach - no injuries, just shake-ups;

Nancy and Paul Bodenstein visited Ireland; a truck delivering loam at the Veloze home on Cedarcrest Avenue got stuck in the septic system; Jim Miceli went down to 196 pounds and then went to a bean supper; Big Joe LaCreta wrestled in Boston Garden; Bernard Nally graduated from Northern Middlesex Police Academy; John Daniell became an Eagle Scout.

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Happy Anniversary

"The Friendly Store in the Center"

DOYLE'S CHURCH STREET HARDWARE and LIQUORS

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Through the years with the Town Crier

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1969

Stuart Neilson was serving as a telephone operator with the Seabees on Okinawa; Dick Thackeray cast the only ballot necessary to elect him to the Redevelopment Authority - he was the only candidate; Ralph Ambrose was the 1969 Good Guy; Bob Doucette of the North Wilmington Shell joined Rotary; Ronnie Watson played the part of Alfred P. Doolittle in My Fair Lady at WHS; General Electric announced its plans to move to Wilmington; for the first time in 194 years the Wilmington Company of Minutemen appeared in full uniform; The WHS band performed in Camden, Maine; the first thoroughbred colt born in the town was the joint property of John Allen and Paul Delaney; Anna Low was drawn for jury duty; Tony DeLuca went on a trip to Rome and unexpectedly met Father Mackin - also vacationing there and staying in a hotel nearby; Sunday bus service was discontinued; Mrs. Carl Backman played the Mad Hatter in an Alice in Wonderland presentation at get - acquainted night by the League of Women Voters; Foster Balser received a broken leg in a New Hampshire automobile accident; Sue Sevensen joined the Airforce; Ed Sargent retired as superintendent of the water department.

1970

Claire Tidsley won the yellow bunny at North Wilmington Pharmacy; Peg Page became manager of Reading Savings Bank; T.M. Morris was caught searching for fiddlehead ferns on Glen Road - he didn't find any; Michelle Lombard read an essay at the laying of the cornerstone of Shawsheen Tech; Nancy Clark became a member of the School Committee; Josephine Fortunata and James Capozzi were named Sons of Italy man and woman of the year; the Willworths of Grant Street had Agnita Edstrand of Sweden as a guest on an exchange program;

Arthur Spear was named to the finance committee; trombonist Kenny Foberg performed with the Berklee Band at New England Life Hall; Kevin Sullivan was injured in the Thanksgiving football game; Cleo Fredette became acting director of special education;

Frank Powers met with selectmen to discuss doing car repairs on his Butters Row property; the old Wilmington Diner (across from St. Dorothy's) became Chris and Ray's.

1971

The old Grange Hall on Wildwood Street, victim of several fires was bulldozed over by J. J. Cronin; Michael Kaminski, a sophomore at WHS won a gold medal in the Mass. State Science Fair; Judy Pierce began writing letters to the Town Crier; Diane Fielding began collecting signatures and put up a gallant battle against outrageously high light bills in town; Sweetheart Plastics won the bell ringer award from the Publicity Club of Boston for having such great relations with its employees; the old Maple Meadow School became the Grange Hall;

Silky Southmayd of the Crusaders Drum and Bugle Corps was named Best Drum Major of the Year; Philip Guzelf directed the Sptlighters in "Absolutely Murder"; Philip Miriam became chief librarian; Reading Light announced a rate decrease; the last drug store soda fountain in town was removed from North Wilmington Pharmacy;

The Rocco DePasquale's were surprised by a house warming given them by friends in their new home on Adams Street; Frank Downs broke his leg skiing in the town park, and Mark Lies was named "Good Samaritan of the week" for getting help; Mrs. Micelis dropped an envelope of photographs very dear to her into a mailbox with her mail and they were turned over to the Town Crier - a note appeared in the paper and Mrs. Micelis reclaimed her pictures.

1972

Bernard Bracy was promoted to personnel manager of Sweetheart Plastics and at about the same time became president of the Chamber of Commerce; Lisa Thibeau won a \$25 bond in a spelling contest; Dr. Elene Farello published a book on the education of women; Vernice Hensey won a bowling trophy in the Merrimack Valley Ten Pen Bowling Tournament; Jean Waugh was elected president of the Spotlighters; June Foley panned for gold in Colorado; Mrs. Wiberg won a \$50 prize for an arrangement of flowers entered in a flower show at Burlington Mall; Robert Thomas won \$200,000 in the state lottery; Wilmington used voting machines in the primaries;

Debbie McPhail won a pie eating contest at Sweetheart Plastics.

1973

Richard Lyford presented his article at town meeting regarding what he felt was a better way of billing - his article was defeated, but he made one great effort; Bill Manning and Larry Morin were junior Rotarians; Precinct voting came to Wilmington; Elaine Freeman and Patty Hanlon were commended for having given 200 hours of volunteer service to Winchester Hospital; Mr. and Mrs. (Rec. Dept) Ron Swasey became registered voters in Wilmington;

Joe Balestrieri was one of 111 runners up in the million dollar game; Helen Moore was commissioned a Notary Public; Mildred Buck won a tv at an Employees Social Recreational Club function at New England Reham; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Spellman spent two weeks in Florida;

Bob Dacey was among the winners at St. Thomas' Green Whist; Louie and Marion Abate vacationed in Hawaii; Harnden Tavern, scheduled to be demolished was taken by the town by eminent domain; Margaret Imbimbo broke her toe falling over a wheelbarrow in her yard; Ed and Grace Reynolds made a huge jamboree banner for Boy Scout Troop 56 and its trip to Pennsylvania;

Gertrude White was honored for 25 years of service with John Hancock; June and Corydon Coombs visited Spain and Africa;

Charlie Ellsworth left the local police force to become a State Police lieutenant; Carlo Gubellini was honored for 27 years of distinguished service to New England University; Billy Darling toured the country after graduating from WHS;

Weeping hill problems (Burlington reservoir) reared their head; Roger Beupre offered a free winterization clinic at Sweezey Home Courtesy Center - an attempt to help out in the energy crunch; Marion Woller passed her National Ceramics exam.

1974

The new yellow rescue truck with reverse spelling arrived at the fire station; Wilmington accepted precinct voting didn't get excited - just yawned; Melrose Wakefield Trust was held up by two men and relieved of \$16,000; Elmer Drew Park was moved to the intersection of Woburn and West Streets.

1975

Weeping Hill cost the town \$10,000 - water drainage ditches to keep Chestnut Street residents from floating away; Jeanie Spada won a grandfather clock at Melrose Savings Bank; the Drahan family built a 15 foot snow dinosaur in their Salem Street yard; DeCrosa Florist arrived at the Plaza; Tambone began talking about Candlewood Village apartments; Frank West had his collection of sea shells on display at the library; Debbie Guzelf was awarded a trophy by the Mass. Baton Twirler's championships;

Aldo Caira was elected selectman; Rick McCully was named to the Boston Globe's 1975 All Scholastic Track team; Town Forest was voted; Children wore crazy hats at an Easter function planned especially for them at the library; the Wilmington Company of Minutemen reached full battle force (27) - the number that marched to Concord; Harnden Tavern was place on the National Historic Register; seniors at WHS collected over 200 pints of blood;

The Town Crier launched a fund-raising campaign so that the Crusaders could accept an invitation to perform at Prince Edward Island, Canada; Dan Gillis was elected chairman of the Mass. Federation of Planning Boards; the Sweet Adelines, Merrimack Valley Chapter made one of their earlier appearances; Danny Moore completed basic training at Lackland AFB;

Sweetheart Plastics Players performed "We Did it Together" and raised \$239 for the Hospital Building Fund;

Juanita Jackson resigned as head of the kindergarten and Richard Gorham took over; Dr. Francisco was appointed board of health physician; a giant block party, organized by Anne Mahoney was enjoyed by the Oakdale Road area residents; Eddie Giroux landed a complete stop sign in a fishing contest at Silver Lake and was awarded a prize for the most unusual catch;

Betty Spahl was the first customer to use Melrose Savings Bank's 24 hour banking service; stop lights were installed at Hopkins Street and Shawsheen Avenue; Summer Tech students made bookcases which were given to the Wilmington Curriculum Center;

Larz Neilson received his gallon pin

from Blood Committee members John Brown and Jo O'Neil - actually, said Jo, the records don't go back far enough to credit the captain for his many previous donations; Alice Papalioios and her dogs came into prominence; the plaque was set at Rotary Park; school enrollment dropped - 131 fewer students than a year ago;

Altron broke ground; Terry Hensey as a Pop Warner cheerleader was named "Queen, 1975" by her colleagues; the Wildcat hockey team beat Chelmsford 4-1 in a Merrimack Valley Jamboree; the arrival of a baby girl placed Lidy Surrette at the top of five generations.

1976

The finance committee declared that the town dump was a serious problem; the Baptist Church welcomed the Rev. Everett Reed; Chris Briand, named a Udall delegate from the Fifth Congressional District and attended the Democratic Convention in New York; James Profirio was named to the President's list at Boston State College; the dump dispute continued; 2552 people voted

in the primaries; "My Search for Patty Hearst" by Steven Weed was among the new books to arrive at the library; Carmella Callandrello won a wagon load of groceries in a contest; the Goodwill Store arrived in Wilmington; Mike Celata and Earn Burns graduated from the Police Academy; Screenprint broke ground on Ainsworth Road; Carol Bachman went to Washington DC to a Workshop Seminar; Nickie Johnson became manager of Melrose Savings Bank;

Solid State callboxes were placed along Route 93; Barney McMahon day was held; the Friends of Harnden Tavern organized; a group of Wilmington Minutemen marched 347 miles to join in a Fourth of July celebration in Philadelphia; Aleppo Temple voted to purchase the Barbo property on Fordham Road;

Pat Gately got a ride in a Boston Police cruiser when she was slightly injured attending a concert in the Esplanade; Sheldon Maga tested the first mini-bike to arrive in Wilmington by taking a spin around the Town Crier parking lot; George

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Roland Roy at work

Roland Roy, well known Tewksbury barber, at work improving (?) the appearance of John Brooks, Wilmington Rotarian. Roland also performed similar miracles for Fred D. Cain, Charles Webster and Bernard McMahon, in the Rotary meeting of November 5th. The picture on page 1 shows the four men with their hairpieces.

Wilmington police news

Activity for the week ending November 11 in the police log indicates seven criminal arrests; four protective custody detentions; eight accidents and 18 burglar alarms (all false).

Ten larcenies were reported with missing property including several bikes, stereos, tools, automobile parts, etc. Disturbance calls, such as gangs hanging around stores, numbered 10 and vandalism and malicious damage incidents numbered 12.

There were four break and entries investigated along with a couple of attempted breaks. One motor vehicle was stolen, but recovered a couple of days later. Alert citizens reported 17 incidents of suspicious nature such as people prowling around or cars acting strangely.

There were two assault and batteries logged and several complaints about trail bikes. Officers assisted at four domestic situations. Numerous other calls and requests are processed every week as well as the usual preventive patrol that is in effect 24 hours a day.

Tip of the week: The court procedure after arrest - Everyone who is arrested and charged with a criminal offense (whether bailed or not) must appear in district court within a day or so for the arraignment. At the arraignment the defendant appears before a judge and is given the opportunity to plead guilty or not guilty or in many cases to have the case continued until the person can consult an attorney. At the arraignment the judge explains to every defendant about his rights to an attorney; he also determines whether the defendant is entitled to a court appointed lawyer of if they must obtain their own counsel at their own expense. Court continuances next week.

Arrests
Monday morning Sgt. Shepard and Insp. Harvey arrested George M. Swartz, of Grove Avenue on a default warrant issued by Framingham Court. He was released to

Framingham authorities.

Officers Vassallo and Waterhouse arrested Barry Borgeson of Burt Road on Wednesday evening on a single charge of possession of marijuana.

John MacDonald of Burlington Avenue was arrested Thursday morning on a default warrant issued from Woburn Court. Officer Neville made the arrest.

Cedarcrest Road resident, William Riley was arrested Thursday evening on a warrant out of Newburyport. Insp. Ballou made the arrest and later turned Riley over to Newburyport officers.

Sunday morning at 7:30 Sgt. Palmer and Officer Neville arrested two Woburn men on liquor related charges. Michael Puopolo of Ellis Street was charged with operating under the influence of alcohol, failing to stop for an officer and possession of marijuana. Kevin Von Hein of Buckland Court was charged with being a minor in possession of alcoholic beverages.

Early Sunday morning Officer Al Venuti arrested a Lowell woman on main Street and charged her with motor vehicle offenses. Blanche Tedder of Arnold Avenue was charged with operating under the influence of alcohol, failing to keep to the right and having no license in her possession.

Housebreaks
Some time during the day Thursday, a home on Sherbourne Place was entered through a bathroom window after someone smashed the glass with a rock. Jewelry and record albums were taken.

On Wednesday, during the day, someone entered a home on Grove Avenue, ransacking several rooms and taking a tape deck, jewelry and cigarettes. Insp. Ballou is investigating both breaks.

Stolen pickup
Thursday afternoon a 1979 Ford pickup belonging to Salvatore Marino of Tewksbury was stolen from the Compugraphic parking lot on Industrial Way. It was recovered in Lawrence Saturday night.

Concom will not commit itself on landtaking

The Wilmington Conservation Commission last Thursday refused to commit itself to accepting the land on which the elderly and low and moderate income housing is proposed, if that land were to be taken by a town meeting action.

The proposal to take the land was made by three members of the group known as Concerned Citizens of Wilmington. The discussion was tabled after more than two hours of discussion.

Also present at the meeting was Selectman Rocco DePasquale.

Don Ugolini of the Conservation Commission (Concom) thought it wise to get an opinion from the town counsel, before any vote was taken. He was joined by several members, and DePasquale also advised the same action.

The Concerned Citizens are asking for a special town meeting. They propose to take by eminent domain land off Main Street and opposite the Fred Cain bridge, on which the Wilmington Housing Authority is proposing to erect housing for the elderly, and housing for low and moderate income families.

Those proposals to the Concom were made by Robin and Paul Theodos and Jim Gorman, all of Glen Road. Theodos accused the Housing Authority of not acting in good faith, in having signed papers applying to the Board of Appeals for a comprehensive permit under Chapter 774, last Monday. "How can you take them in good faith?" he asked.

His opening statement was that if the housing were to be built it would mean the taxpayers would pay every year. The alternative was to take the land, on a 30 year bond, which would "cost us 25 cents a year." Theodos was seeking an assent from the Concom, on accepting the land after it was taken from the town.

The Board of Appeals will grant the variance, Theodos was told. Chester Bruce, Concom chairman told him there are "six more" sites and "we will pay through the nose."

Theodos was prepared with arguments. A recall petition is being prepared against Mrs. Larson (Chairman of the WHA), he said. Her term expires in April, and "we will campaign against her."

The people of Wilmington, he added, trust their officials, but they were fooled by "one man." "People are for it (housing) because they don't know (the facts). Let the people know!"

Chester Bruce said he believed the town would not get "self help" funds (from the state) to pay for the land, if they took the site. Theodos continued to talk of eminent domain. Selectman DePasquale then spoke of the three last eminent domain proceedings of the town of Wilmington.

"We lost" he said. "We had to pay double." The site proposed is under option to the developer. The price has been established (\$230,000). "That automatically makes him the winner."

Theodos said the award could not go over the fair market value. "It is the town that is going to lose, not the housing authority."

A special town meeting, Rocco said, might cost \$2200. It might be better to hold off for the annual town meeting.

Congressman Shannon, Rocco told the group, "would like to get involved. He wants to see if he can find a solution." "Would you settle for elderly housing, and not family housing?"

Theodos said he was for housing for "the care of Wilmington people." He described housing in Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill.

Mrs. Theodos, speaking for herself she said, thought scattered (family) housing was okay. Rocco advised her to "look down to the end of the road."

"How does that put the Conservation Commission up against, say, the North Wilmington Betterment, or the South Wilmington

Betterment?"

The conversation was confused. Mrs. Theodos wanted to "knock them out of the ball park. I doubt if they will ever come back."

Chester Bruce said HUD had not given information to his board, and for the lack of information "we deny."

Theodos pointed to housing proposals in Newton, Brookline and Framingham which seemed to have been defeated in court. "They got lawyers, costly lawyers. They know what to do."

Bruce: "When you talk discrimination."

Theodos: "Look at HUD's track record! I am not talking discrimination!" It is easier, he said, "for a mugger to get into an elderly project than to rob anyone else."

Bruce: "HUD has money." "You are talking political." "If the project proves buildable we (appeal board, ed) has to say yes." "We (Concom, ed) are the only board they cannot bypass." "It has been reported to me that the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering will not approve on - the - site sewerage."

Rocco DePasquale warned of losses in other ways. He had a call, he said from the MAPC (Mass Area Planning Commission) warning that the \$345,000 grant for Small City Block Grant would be withdrawn, "if we did not approve." "He (MAPC speaker) also discussed our sewerage money, it was not a threat."

Theodos: "That is the reason that towns don't want to accept federal monies."

Chester Bruce went on to discuss several problems. For conservation purposes, he said, "it is a good parcel." For building purposes, "we cannot say." He thought it better to wait and see what happened at the Monday night selectmen's meeting. Then he suggested that perhaps the commission might give him authority to sign (the letter expressing acceptance).

Don Ugolini: "I personally do not agree - I don't agree to be on a board and agree to accept, for the conservation commission. This is a very serious question - I personally say No. I don't want particularly to tie up the town - somebody's going to win, and I feel the town is going to lose."

Rocco pointed out that to vote "this" might mean "you are opposing the developer." "We have had to bail out previous boards (of selectmen) and members who were being sued for substantial sums of money. As a member of the Board of Selectmen I do not want to see the town getting sued."

Theodos then asked if "we went" to the town meeting, and "we take" the land - will the Conservation Commission accept it?

Rocco charged him with prejudicing the question, and Bruce added that there is buildable land. "I know. I've walked it."

Jim Gorman read a part of Chapter 39, of the General Laws, pointing out the powers and duties of a conservation commission. Bruce's answer to this was "We need some legal counsel."

Rocco pointed out that there had to be hearings - planning board, finance commission and conservation commission. "You make up your mind on the basis of those hearings."

Concom member Larry Labrie moved that if the town votes to purchase the land then the conservation commission will accept it. Ugolini seconded for discussion, saying he was going to vote against it. Jacqueline Allaman said it was best to get legal counsel. Joan Sadowski agreed with Allaman.

An agreement had been reached, but still the concom continued to discuss whether or not to have a vote. Ugolini pointed out that "by voting now, you are prejudicing yourself."

He then moved to lay the question on the table and the commission so voted.



The officers of the Wilmington American Legion Post are, from left, Ken Maynard, finance officer, Ed Tonto, adjutant, Jim Breen, vice commander, Joe Vieira, Jr., commander, Jim Murray, senior vice commander, Harold Moody, chaplain, and Bob Brown, assistant finance officer. The post is seeking new members. Veterans who served during wartime are eligible.

Wilmington senior topics

Successful fair

The Senior Citizen Fair at the Drop-in Center last Saturday was termed a tremendous success. Seniors would like to extend their thanks to all who donated, who worked so hard putting the fair together and to all those who attended. A special thanks has been offered to McDonald's for their donation.

Anniversary dance tickets

The 250th Anniversary Committee has donated 20 tickets to the final dance of the year-long celebration. It will be held Saturday evening, Nov. 22 in the Shriners auditorium beginning at eight o'clock. The tickets will be given away on November 13 on a first come, first served basis.

Elks dinner tickets

Seniors are asked to pick up their tickets for the Tewksbury - Wilmington Elks dinner, which will be served November 13. The tickets may be picked up any time at the Drop-in Center, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thanks Rocco

A drawing was held at the Drop-in Center Friday afternoon for three tickets to the Lions Club Annual Dinner Dance, held November 8. The tickets were donated by Selectman Rocco DePasquale.

Nurses at the center

The nurses will be at the Drop-in Center Thursday afternoon, Nov. 20 beginning at one o'clock to administer diabetes tests and check blood pressures.

Twenty people needed

Twenty people over age 55 are needed to begin Project MECCA. A federally sponsored advocacy program, at the Mary Gerontology Center, Middlesex Community College, Project MECCA will provide free training for these 20 people. Training will include consumer education, advocacy and counseling. Ten hours per week for 20 weeks will be designated for training, followed by 10 hours per week for 20 weeks of supervised field placement. Trainees will be reimbursed for travel and upon completion the MECCA staff will assist in job placement. If interested call Barbara Rubin 275-8910 ext 291-292.

Andean Imports

A call was received at the office for help at Andean Imports. These positions involve light work, sewing labels on sweaters. It pays \$3.50 an hour and is only temporary (Christmas work). Anyone interested should call Andean Imports' Jean Yetman at 658-2554.

Minuteman Home Care menu

Served at Burlington Senior Citizens Friendship Center, 45 Center St., Burlington where nutrition aide is Kay Cavanaugh. Call 272-9552 for reservations.

North Woburn - Wilmington at North Congregational Church, 896 Main St., Woburn where site manager is Colleen Riley. Call 933-8643 for reservations.

Menus are subject to change without notice. Transportation is available, especially for handicapped people.

Monday: Beef Chow Mein, Rice, Noodles, Dinner Roll, Bread Pudding.
Tuesday: Meatloaf, Gravy, Parslied Potato, Butternut Squash, Dark Rye Bread, Pineapple.

Wednesday: Barbecued Chicken, Whipped Potato, Peas, Oatmeal Bread, Peaches.

Thursday: Fruit Cup, Turkey, Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Stuffing, Peas, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Pie, (apple or pumpkin).

Friday: Tuna Noodle Salad Casserole, Spinach, Cabbage - Carrot Salad, Rye Bread, Pears.

Wilmington Seniors' menu

Monday: Chilled Juice, Salisbury Steak with Gravy, Rice Pilaf, Buttered Vegetable, Bread and Butter, Carrot Cake and Milk.

Tuesday: Beef Cannelone with Meat Sauce, Buttered Green Beans, French Bread and Butter, Dessert and Milk.

Wednesday: Fish Dinner, Creamy Whipped Potato, Buttered Vegetable,

Bread and Butter, Pudding with Topping and Milk.

Thursday: Roast Turkey Dinner, Creamy Mashed Potato or Sweet Potato, Buttered Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Milk and Cookies.

Friday: Chilled Applesauce, Fishamajig on a Roll, Buttered Corn, Ice Cream or Cookies and Milk.



November is Christmas Fair season. The Wilmington senior citizens held a fair at the Drop-In Center on Saturday. Serving at the food table were Frances Callandrello, Bea Sanville, Alice MacDonald, Audrey Murray and Pat Nutt.



Seniors at the Drop-In Center on Saturday included Edith Zambarnardi, Josephine Kelley and Louise Miceli.

Busy season ahead for Friends of Harnden Tavern

Christmas social
Plans for the Friends of Harnden Tavern Christmas social are in full swing. A food and crafts sale will be among the features. The Tavern will be decorated in traditional fashion, holiday music will lighten the day and warm fires will brighten the rooms. The social is scheduled for Sunday, December 7, from 1 to 4 p.m.

There will be a membership tree. All members are urged to take one traditional or homemade ornament to place on the tree. It is hoped that this will become a tradition, passing the ornaments on from year to year.

Anyone interested in donating crafts or food for the sale or in making a contribution to the refreshment table should call 658-2860.

Work party needed
Wallpaper, paint and lighting fixtures have been purchased and plans are underway to do some restoration at the Tavern. Anyone interested in joining a work party to strip, paint and wallpaper should call 658-5018. Work will begin after the Christmas holidays.

George Michael
George Michael, well known antique lecturer of Channel 2 fame, will be conducting a course in antiques at the Tavern. The seven week course will be held on Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m., beginning on February 4. The cost of the course will be \$55 which includes Mr. Michael's latest book.

Friends of the Harnden Tavern may enroll now by calling 658-5018. Enrollment will be open to the general public on January 5. Class size is limited.

Meeting
The next meeting of the Friends will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m. at the Tavern.

Membership time
It's time to renew membership, or join for the first time. Family memberships, \$5; single membership, \$2; student membership, \$1; senior citizenship membership \$1. Mrs. Henrietta Tuttle, 2 Carson Ave., Wilmington is membership chairman. Specify types of membership desired with the total sum and include telephone number.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, SS. No. 521895

NOTICE OF FIDUCIARY'S ACCOUNT

To all persons interested in the estate of James E. Cromwell late of Wilmington, in said County, deceased.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the first and final account of Effie L. Cromwell as Administratrix (the fiduciary) of said estate has been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your

right to file an objection to said account, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before the eleventh day of December, 1980, the return day of this citation.

You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account. If you desire to object to any item of said account, you must, in addition to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written state-

ment of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

WITNESS, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirtieth day of October, 1980.

Paul J. Cavanaugh, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss.

NOTICE OF Administration Without Sureties

Estate of Norman Bramwell Craik late of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that Elizabeth M. Norton of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex be appointed administratrix of the estate of said deceased, without giving surety on her bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before December 4, 1980.

It is ordered that notice of said proceeding be given by publishing a copy thereof once in each week for three successive weeks in the Town Crier of Wilmington a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said return day.

WITNESS, SHEILA E. MCGOVERN, Esquire First Judge of said Court at Cambridge, the twenty-ninth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty.

Paul J. Cavanaugh, Register of Probate

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss.

NOTICE OF Administration Without Sureties

Estate of Otto G. Swenson late of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that Ruth R. Swenson of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex be appointed administratrix of the estate of said deceased, without giving surety on her bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before November 19, 1980.

WITNESS, SHEILA E. MCGOVERN, Esquire First Judge of said Court at Cambridge, the thirtieth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty.

Paul J. Cavanaugh, Register of Probate

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Town Crier Sports



They
were ready

Redmen bow out of tournament

Redmen go down scrapping

by Rick Cooke
Sports Editor
Tewksbury's high school soccer season ended in a windswept 2-0 loss at Bedford Tuesday in the team's first-ever Eastern Mass. Tournament appearance, but coach Steve Levine has every reason to expect his team to be back in the thick of things in 1981. In fact, he'll go so far as to say that his team, with 15 underclassmen returning, is the team to beat next season in the MVC.

"We're the team to beat, there is no question in my mind," said Levine after seeing his Redmen fall to the wind and what he called a pair of tainted goals.

The Redmen return goalies Rich DeMaria and Danny Poulin to the fold, both of whom played well in adverse conditions Tuesday. Levine also expects some top flight recruits from coach Bob Manzi's second year junior varsity unit that finished at 8-4-1 and produced eight players this season for the 23 player varsity roster.

And Levine, unlike some MVC coaches, utilized his entire roster while compiling an impressive 10-5-2 overall record.

Those 23 players went down scrapping in the face of a tough wind that forced them to play defensive soccer for two of the four periods. The game was deadlocked 0-0 at halftime before Bedford scored twice to advance in the tournament.

On the game's first goal DeMaria, also the team's second leading scorer, made a spectacular save only to have the ball kicked through his arms while he was lying prone on the ground at the 11:15 mark of the third period. Poulin was beaten for the second goal in the fourth period with a sharp Bedford direct kick setting up the score.

"It seemed like who ever had the ball with the wind would dominate," said Levine whose team played with the wind in the first and third periods. "When I came home after the game and thought about it, I thought it was too bad that our guys couldn't play soccer for four periods instead of just two," said Levine of the tough game conditions.

Tewksbury received outstanding games from its co-captains, Scott

Pattison and Mike Dascoli. "Scott has played outstanding soccer all year, and he's a real team leader. He really kept this team together," offered Levine.

The Redmen coach also had words of praise for senior Paul Morgan, he of the famous flip toss, who his coach feels, garnered an undeserved reputation as a hot-head throughout the conference.

Morgan compiled 10 yellow cards and one red card for what some officials thought was boisterous conduct this season, but Morgan, who came up with a solid effort Tuesday, has a coach who offers an explanation for his player's on the field personality. "Paul is just an intense player," offered Levine. "Today he was classy

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That's
six!

Redmen Steve Arpin (68) and Jeff Perry (73) celebrate Tom Horgan's 80 yard TD jaunt with embracing coaches Bob Aylward and Connie Barry. See story, other photo page 14.

Wilmington girls advance, 3-1

Wilmington High School's field hockey girls (13-0-1) advanced to second round play in the Eastern Mass. Tournament with a heart pounding 3-1 double overtime, shootout win over Lincoln Sudbury Tuesday at the WHS field.

The two teams battled throughout 70 minutes of scoreless play until the

Wilmington shooters took dead aim on the Lincoln-Sudbury net to remain undefeated. The Cats now play Thursday afternoon against the winner of the Hamilton - Wenham vs. Newburyport game. Wildcats coach Jan Cassidy was unavailable for comment at press time Tuesday night.

Wildcats hand Lancers first loss

Wilmington defense clamps Lawrence, 7-0

The Wilmington High School football Wildcats, a team that capitalized on the blocked punt a year ago, recaptured that important part of their game just in time to stun previously unbeaten Lawrence 7-0 Saturday and put a very large crimp in the Lancers Division II Super Bowl plans.

The Wildcats, who twice have beaten Tewksbury teams bound for The Bowl, came up with their Thanksgiving Day biggie a few weeks early in 1980, as junior linebacker Paul Bova blocked a Lawrence punt with 1:42 remaining in the first half and teammate Ken Runge fell on the ball in the endzone for the margin of victory in the biggest upset so far this season in the MVC.

The win evened the tough-luck Wildcat record at 4-4, with some of the bitter pills coming in defeats to Chelmsford (8-0), Billerica (9-6) and Dracut (7-0).

The Wildcats had a chance to win both the Chelmsford and Billerica games, with penalties and tough breaks leading to the losses. Saturday coach John Ritchie's team was coming off its worst game of the season (a 7-0 loss at Dracut) determined to pull the upset at home against a team that just a week before had belted Tewksbury 15-6.

Wilmington also finally eliminated its problems in the fourth quarter, preserving the shutout Saturday. The Cat defense has allowed 59 points this season, with 51 of them coming in the fourth quarter.

Saturday it was that defense that chopped down big Lancer fullback Dave Speller, who had banged away at Tewksbury for over 100 yards. Speller did see limited action due to an injury Saturday, but when he did, the Cat defense led by linebackers Mike Russo and Bova, was there with the proper keys to stuff the Lancers main weapon.

Wilmington had to depend a great deal upon the defense's ability to hold the Lancers, for the offense was limited to just 58 total yards despite having a couple of opportunities to break the game wide open early. One of those opportunities came when Russo blocked a punt in the second quarter and the Wildcats recovered on the Lawrence three yard line.

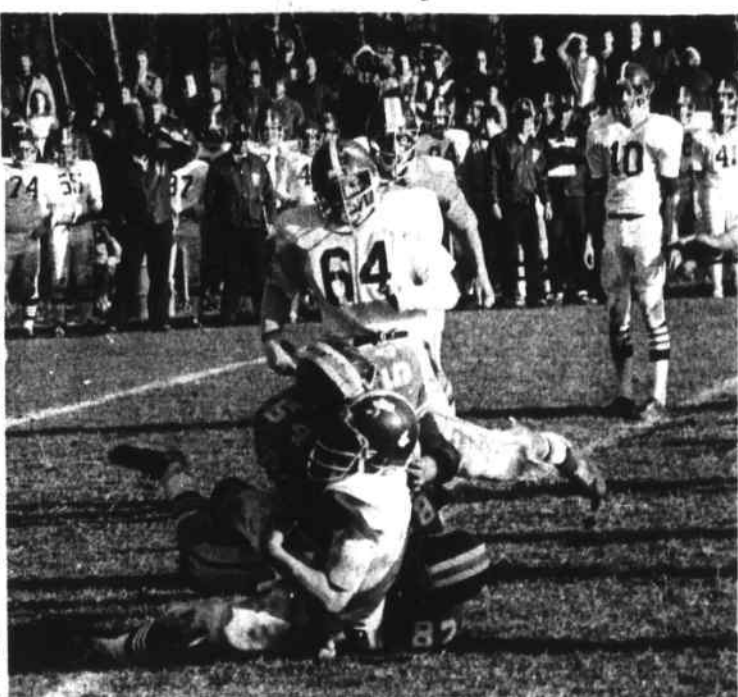
Quarterback Glen Sargent attempted a 15 yard pass to Craig Richards on fourth down, but that attempt failed and the Wildcats clung to their 7-0 second quarter lead.

Lawrence then took over late in the half and the Cat defense again came up with the big play, as Richards intercepted a pass by Lancer quarterback Scott Lonardo at the 30 and rammed to the LHS 15 with 45 seconds remaining.

But the Lancer defense rose to the occasion to again shut down the Wilmington attack. So Wilmington could very well have been leading what had been billed as one of the best teams in the state 21-0 at the half thanks to a swarming defense primed for the upset.

Lawrence coach Steve Perocchi obviously realized his team would have a rough time getting its very basic offense in gear without the services of Speller, who was held out with a thigh bruise until the start of the third quarter.

Although Speller was hampered by the injury, it was the Wilmington



Lancer
bites dust

Wildcat linebacker Paul Bova (54), who blocked a punt that led to the game's only score, drops a Lancer back for a loss Saturday.

defense that was largely responsible for limiting the Lawrence fullback to just 38 yards on the day.

Indicative of just how important Speller is to the Lawrence attack, in the team's first seven wins he had gained over 100 yards. No way he was even going to crack 50 against the Wildcat defense Saturday.

Lawrence had a golden opportunity to tie or go ahead go by the boards in the third quarter after Sargent fumbled the ball on an attempted screen pass with the Lancers recovering at the Wilmington 37.

The Cat defense bent but didn't break at this point, as after Lawrence had driven the ball down to the WHS 10, Speller was buried for no gain and Wilmington took over on downs.

A flurry of fourth quarter activity never let the Cats defense relax for a moment, as Lawrence had a couple of shots at a score in the game's dying moments.

Sargent was the victim of another big Lancer pass rush in that quarter, as he was sacked again - and fumbled the football away again, with visitors recovering at the WHS 48.

The Lancers then marched all the way down to the Wilmington four yard line where after taking over, the Wildcats were forced to punt deep in their own territory.

At this point the game had turned into a defensive tug of war, with the Wildcats holding tough each time Lawrence took over in Wilmington territory. Fortunately for Wilmington, the Lancer offense hasn't displayed the ability to come back with the big play when they are behind. In fact, Saturday marked one of the rare times that Lawrence has been behind all season.

The Lancers couldn't move the ball after the latest Wildcat punt, as that series died at the WHS 36 with time on the side of the underdogs from Wilmington.

Wilmington's offense did pick up a big first down and looked ready to run out the clock on the Lancers before fullback Matt Phillips (33 yards)

fumbled the ball back to Lawrence in Lancer territory.

The Wilmington fourth quarter bug-a-boo appeared to be ready to strike again at this point when Lonardo connected with Jim Muldoon on a 30 yard pass-run that got the Lancers to midfield.

Muldoon then caught a 15 yard pass a couple of plays later to advance the ball to the WHS 26 and the Wildcats looked to be in serious trouble at this point.

The team did have two things swinging very strongly in their favor however. Time was running out on the Lancer offense, and more importantly the Wildcat defense had proven that it could stuff the Lawrence power offense when it counted the most.

It was a sophomore who made the game saving play that finally put the unbeaten Lancers on the losing side of the tracks for the first time this season. Defensive back Jon Nolan picked off the Lonardo pass that preceded the 15 yard Muldoon completion and it was over, the Wildcats had their upset that they had been predicting all week would become a reality.

The WHS offense ran out the clock, and the team had a win that will make their season. After a season of frustration, the Wildcats had a victory that makes most of that frustration worthwhile, and it was the defense that kept them always within reach of this stunner.

Although the players might claim that this wasn't an upset, the records and the seasonal stats dictate the headline. What is more important is that Wilmington's defense dictated to the Lancer offense just what it could and could not do Saturday. Judging by the final result, those big boys from Lawrence didn't do a hell of a lot.

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Tewksbury moves into first Horgan gets the work, Redmen get the rout

It was surprisingly easy. A 24-6 rout of a team that is better than most experts expected it to be. The team - the Dracut Middies - was not about to surprise or even make a game of it Saturday, as the Tewksbury Redmen, led by a defensive line anchored by senior Mike Prescott that played its best game of the season and an explosive offense, blasted the Middies right out of the water at the Walter Doucette Memorial Field.

That defense held Dracut to minus-21 yards total offense in a performance that was reminiscent of the Redmen shutdown D of a few seasons back. Although the team has posted four shutouts this season and has generally played well, the key turnovers have not been there and for the most part the big play has been missing, especially in the previous week's 15-6 loss to then unbeaten Lawrence.

Saturday the Redmen went to work pounding the Middies early, and the win coupled with Methuen's rout of Billerica and Haverhill's upset of Chelmsford boosted the locals into sole possession of first place in the tough MVC West.

The one real sour note for coach Lefty Aylward's team came on the first possession of the game when Dracut captain John Sweeney recovered a Redmen fumble at the Tewksbury 22.

The defense then set the tone for the entire game when defensive backs Frank Fay (batted a Bob Talbot pass) and Dennis Vecchi (a chop of a Bruce Cayer sweep) shutdown the first Middle series and forced a 34 yard field goal attempt by Dennis Shurtleff that fell way wide and far short of the goalposts.

Tewksbury took over at the 20 and began putting senior halfback Tom Horgan (146 yards, 19 carries) through a full game's workload that began when he broke open over the right sideline and scooted past the Middle defense for an 80 yard touchdown run.

The Dracut defense failed to handle Horgan whether he was running inside, outside, around or through for sizeable gains. It was Tom's second consecutive outstanding game, although he was hampered by a limited number of carries in the Lawrence loss. Saturday Tom caught some overtime, and it paid off greatly for the Tewksbury attack.

Charlie Santos, who late in the game intercepted a pass at defensive back, toed his first conversion of the game and Tewksbury led 7-0 with 7:14 left to play in the first quarter.

A bad snap from center on an en-



Tom works overtime TMHS halfback Tom Horgan (33) is congratulated by Frank Fay (21) after scoring his second touchdown in Saturday's 24-6 rout of Dracut.

suing Middle punt gave Tewksbury the ball at the Dracut 24 and set up the second Redmen TD of the quarter.

Seven plays later quarterback Vecchi (7-11, 60 yards) rolled right and tossed a 12 yard pass to halfback Fay, who skipped past one Dracut defender into the corner of the end-zone for the score. Santos kicked the PAT and Tewksbury had a 14-0 margin with 2:45 left.

The defense turned in a pair of super plays on the last Dracut series of the quarter, as defensive end Tom Brothers pressured Cayer on an option pass that fell incomplete and Prescott cracked through from his tackle slot to sack Mike L'Hussier for a nine yard loss on an attempted reverse. Tri-captain Scott Tremlett put the finishing touches on that outstanding Tewksbury defensive series when he broke through to bat away a Talbot pass on a third and 24 call from the Redmen 48.

In the second quarter, the Redmen had a 51 yard run by Fay called back by a penalty, but were unaffected by

the setback, scoring 13 plays later on that same ball-control series that finally covered those 51 yards with Horgan scoring on a two yard roll-out toss from Vecchi. Santos made good on his third conversion, and with nine ticks left in the half Tewksbury held a 21-0 lead in what was turning into a surprising cakewalk.

Horgan truly deserved the TD on that march, as he did the bulk of the lugging, carrying the ball six times and catching one pass for a total of 30 yards.

On the ensuing kickoff, Aylward and his coaching staff threw a reminder at Middle coach Ed Murphy on the opposite sideline. The Redmen attempted an onside kick with a 21-0 lead, a play very similar to an onside kick that Dracut attempted a couple of seasons back when they were pounding the Redmen. Tewksbury picked up a penalty on the play, but the message was clear - we have long memories of teams who try to stick it to our kids.

In the fourth quarter Santos capped

another in a series of fine games for him when he toed a perfect 36 yard field goal with 6:08 remaining. Dracut finally scored on the Tewksbury second defense, as L'Hussier cracked over from one yard out late in the game.

Extra points - Santos now has 26 points this season. Redmen playing fine games defensively were Mark Indelicato, Brothers, middle guard Karl Wilson and linebacker Bob Byrd.

Cooke's picks
Wilmington 14 Lowell 8
Tewksbury 34 Greater Lowell 6
Dracut 21 Austin Prep 8
Methuen 16 Chelmsford 12
Billerica 28 Greater Lawrence 0
Haverhill 21 Andover 6
Lawrence 21 Central Catholic 0
Record - 39 right; 15 wrong; two ties.

Football Conference
Results Saturday
Wilmington 7 Lawrence 0
Tewksbury 24 Dracut 6
Lowell 7 Andover 0
Haverhill 7 Chelmsford 6
Methuen 33 Billerica 0
Lawrence Central 29 Greater Lowell 0
Austin Prep 22 Greater Lawrence 14

	W	L	T	F	A
Tewksbury	6	2	0	152	40
Chelmsford	5	2	1	133	51
Dracut	5	2	1	92	57
Billerica	5	2	1	66	73
Wilmington	4	4	0	126	59
Lowell	3	5	0	97	105
Greater Lowell	0	8	0	43	269

	W	L	T	F	A
Lawrence	7	1	0	172	47
Methuen	7	1	0	161	53
Haverhill	4	4	0	75	54
Andover	3	4	1	79	87
Lawrence Central	3	5	0	88	197
Austin Prep	2	6	0	97	197
Greater Lawrence	0	8	0	60	196

Olshaw gets first start

Wilmington's Fred Olshaw, making his first start of the season, completed six of 13 passes for two touchdowns and a conversion as the Bridgeton Academy football team belted the Norwich University subvarsity 28-19 in recent action. Olshaw led a ball control offense that ran 75 plays for 363 total yards.

Burns Stars

Tewksbury's John Burns, a starting defensive end for the Western Connecticut State College Colonials, was recently selected as an ECAC Honorable Mention Player of the Week.

The six foot, 205 pound sophomore was credited with two quarterback sacks in an opening game 0-0 tie with Curry College and was named West

Conn's Defensive Player of the Week in a 20-13 loss to the Mass. Maritime Academy.

John is a graduate of Tewksbury High School, where he was a two way starter for coach Bob Aylward's Redmen. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Burns of 1144 South Street, Tewksbury.

Redmen burn Westford

The boys varsity cross country team at Tewksbury Memorial High School recently posted a varsity win over Westford.

Top places went to: 1st Ron Kuester 14:04 (W), Far 14:20 (T), 3rd Mike Desrochers (W), 4th Paul Tremblay 14:56 (T), Greg Eliason (W), 6th Tim

Niven 15:10 (T), 7th Tom Springfield 15:17 (T), 8th Mike Taylor 15:18 (W), 9th Steve Santagati 15:48 (T), 10th Joe Bernardi 16:27 (T), 11th David Libby 16:29 (T) and Peter Eckstein taking the 12th scoring place in 16:34.



Redmen recovers Tewksbury B team running back Tim Boudreau (28) recovers his own fumble in Sunday's 20-13 win over Burlington. See story page 15.

Wilmington Pop Warner

Charger A's clamp Everett

The Wilmington Charger A and B squads hosted Reading at the West Intermediate Field, while the C squad traveled to Everett to tackle the Huskies C team in Pop Warner football action Sunday. The C team topped Everett 12-0, while the A's dropped a 15-0 decision to Reading, and the B's lost in a high scoring contest, 32-24.

Charger A's 12 Everett 0
The C team put together a sound offensive display along with tight defense enroute to a 12-0 blanking of Everett at Everett Memorial Stadium.

Charger Fullback Steve Fuller was a standout, not only on offense, where he ran for 65 yards and a fourth quarter touchdown, but also on defense, where his defensive end play stymied many Everett sweeps.

The Chargers scored early in the second period on a sustained eight play drive covering 42 yards to the Huskies two yard line, a march that was highlighted by the running of halfback Tom Pote, quarterback Danny Duffy and Fuller. Pote took it over for the score on a dive over tackle to give the Chargers a 6-0 lead. The extra point attempt failed.

The Charger defense, led by Fuller, Mike Calandrello, Steve Tarara and Paul Buonopane along the front line, and linebackers Marty Kuchler, Kenny Lyons, Pote and Duffy, shut the Everett offense down, forcing two fumbles, while not allowing the Huskies a first down throughout the first half.

Wilmington registered the second touchdown of the game early in the fourth quarter with Fuller as the workhorse on a series of off-tackle slants. The 53 yard drive was spearheaded by the blocking of halfbacks Pote and Ray Mercuri, along with outstanding line blocking from Bobby Cole, Don Corson, Jeff Labossiere and Eric Penttinen. The drive was climaxed with Fuller carrying the ball to paydirt from 14 yards out on an off tackle slant, running the score to 12-0. The try for the extra point fell short.

Late in the fourth quarter, Wilmington linemen Kuchler and Tim Rooney, along with safeties Jeff Murphy and Mike Minichello, forced an Everett fumble, and on the next play the C's exploded for a 60 yard reverse to paydirt with Bobby Cole sweeping the right side to the end-zone, only to have the play called back on a clipping penalty. With time running out the Charger C's had registered their fourth victory of the season.

Reading 32 Charger B's 24
The Reading B passing game put the pressure on the Chargers defense early, as they scored in both the first and second quarters. The Chargers answered both scores with long ground gainers of their own, with John McLaughlin racing 48 yards off tackle for a first period score followed by his second touchdown of the game midway through the second period on a 45 yard dash to paydirt.

The crushing blow came late in the second quarter when Reading recovered a Charger fumble in the endzone for the TD and added the extra point to take a 19-12 halftime lead.

Two third period Reading scores ran the count to 32-13. However, the Chargers bounced back, when running back Jonathan Hensley, behind some key blocking from Ed Bourque, Kevin Sutton and Fred Ryan, broke off tackle for 43 yards and the score.

Wilmington closed out the scoring midway through the final period when McLaughlin, behind some fine blocking from the left side of the line, swept in from 15 yards out for his third score of the game.

Linebacker Russ Lydon and middle guard Lou Moore were stalwarts on defense for the B squad.

Reading 15 Charger A's 0
Reading got on the scoreboard in the first period when Charger quarterback Billy Woods, was tackled in the endzone for a safety.

A 20 yard pass play midway through the second quarter put Reading up 8-0. Charger linebacker

Joe Biondo broke through to block the try for the extra point.

Both teams exchanged punts in the third quarter before the Chargers made a bid to get on the scoreboard. Two first downs were reeled off on some fine running by Mike Ingersoll and Tony Cutone. However, the Reading offense stiffened, as they took over on downs at their own 25 yard line.

Unable to move the ball on a Wilmington defense spearheaded by Dante DeMarco and Frank Shea, Reading punted to the Chargers.

Starting from his own 35, Woods hit running back Joe Biondo with a 25 yard pass, moving the ball to the Reading 40. On the next series of plays, the visitors intercepted a Charger pass which lead to their second touchdown of the afternoon.

The visitors then reeled off two successive first downs, followed by a 31 yard burst around the right side for the score. The extra point was good. The scoring drive covered 53 yards, and gave Reading a 15-0 victory.

The three Charger traveling teams take to the road Sunday, with the A's and B's battling Everett at the Everett Memorial Stadium, while the C's journey to Lawrence High School field to tackle the Lawrence C team.

Tewksbury Youth Hockey

Crowley leads Pee Wees

Matt Crowley scored two goals and Rich LeDuc picked up a pair of assists, as the Pee Wee A's battled Methuen to a 4-4 tie to highlight Tewksbury Youth Hockey action last week. Bob Ware, Keith Tower and Brian Sheehan had a goal apiece for Tewksbury.

In Division II play, the Bantam C's bopped Derry, N.H. 5-4, as Bruce Murray netted two goals. Scott Hillson, Paul Sylvester and Tom Fletcher all had goals for the winners with Andy Scharmer recording an assist.

The Squirt B's rolled to a 6-1 win over Somerville last week, with Steve Bourgea netting the hat trick. Bob Doyle had a pair of goals for Tewksbury with the other points going to Marty Kausmaul (goal) and Dave Sarsfield (assist).

The Mite A's stayed red hot, downing Lawrence 5-1 with Keith Miles pocketing the three goal hat trick. Mary Whynot had two goals and B.J. Doherty also scored.

Wilmington Youth Hockey

Wilmington drops Methuen

Coach Paul Bjork's Wilmington II Pee Wee's traveled to Methuen High School Sunday and took on a fine Methuen III team.

Methuen scored the first goal midway through the first period on a rebound after a pile up in the Wilmington goal.

The Methuen score seemed to ignite the Wilmington II offense, which then proceeded to score four unanswered goals to win going away.

Wilmington II scorers were Steve Bjork with two goals and an assist, Chuck Stokes with a goal and an assist, Mike Stuart with a goal, and assists by Rich Kurowski and Bill Gullage.

A solid defense was led by Steve Lowry, Bill Gullage, Rich Kurowski and Chris Sullivan.

Goalkeeping duties were shared by Randy Jackson and Derek Senecaugh, both of whom turned aside several good shots on goal.

A close checking, hard hitting game was played by the entire Wilmington II squad and the defensive effort kept Methuen off balance.

The next scheduled game for Wilmington II is against Lowell I at Janus Rink at 9 a.m. Saturday, November 13.



No doubt about it

Wildcat players Rick Ballou (65), Matt Phillips (34), Rob Santos (76) and John Bossi (50) react as Lawrence falls 7-0 Saturday at Wilmington. See story, other photos page 13.

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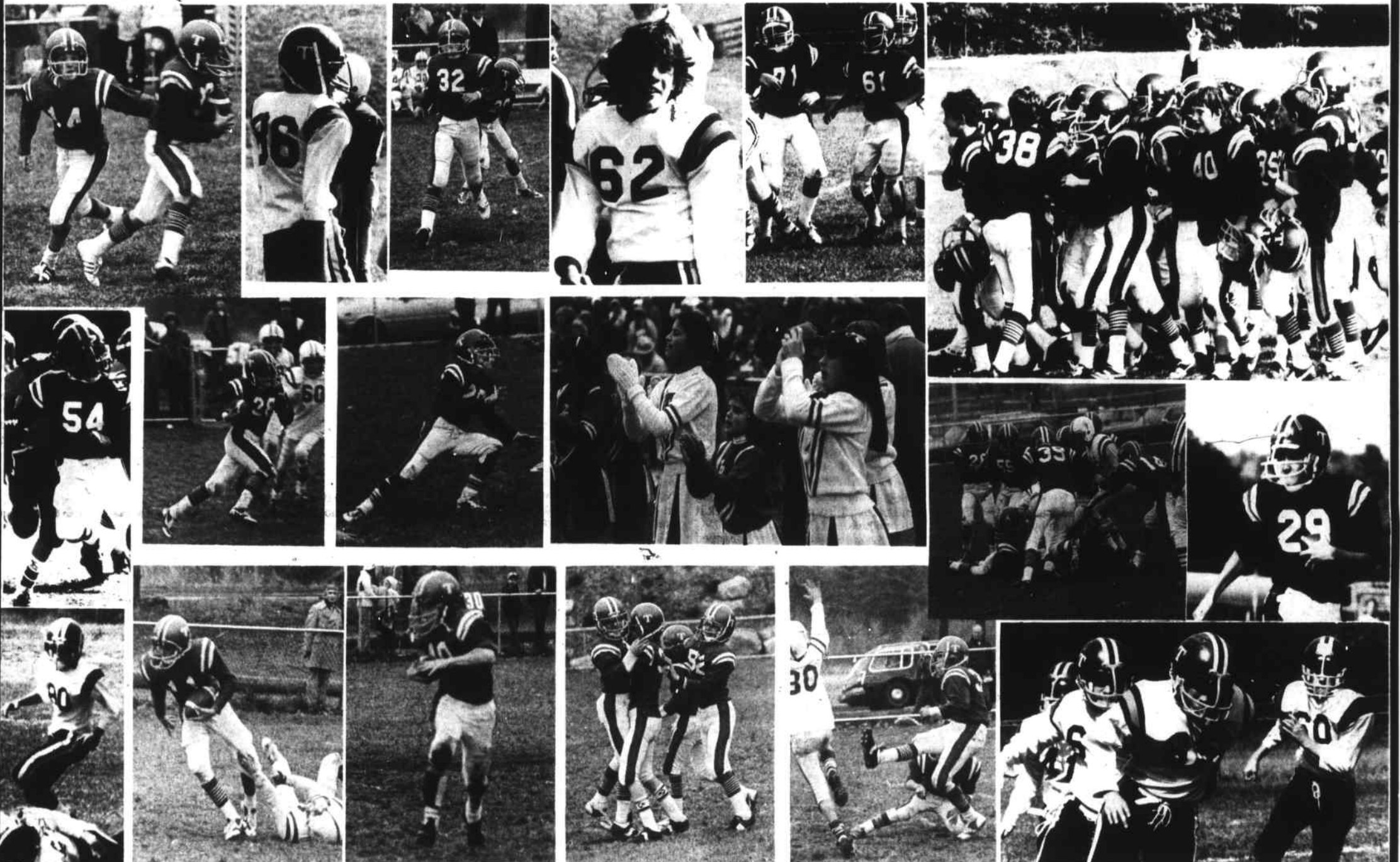
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Second row: Robert Briggs, Mike Mackey, Joe Rossi, David French, Judd Smith, Scott Weinsensee, Scott Fay, David Lindsey, John Penney;
Third Row: Tom Niles, Tim Campbell, Chris McHardy, Scott Bolton, Richard Lapham, Bill Ward, Robert Byers, Buddy MacAllister, William LeBoeuf, Steve Defina;
Fourth row: Coach Chuck Healey, Ken Coviello, Greg Kobelski, Joe Evangelista, Jay Kelley, Coach Mike Whelton, Jim Evangelista, Coach Jack Fader, David Crowell, head coach Ken Hague.



Coaches, left to right: Asst Coach Chuck Healey, Head Coach Ken Hague, Asst. Coach Mike Whelton, Asst. Coach Jack Fader.

Schedule

Tewksbury	44	Saugus	0
Tewksbury	19	Methuen	0
Tewksbury	27	Billerica	6
Tewksbury	8	Sudbury	0
Tewksbury	19	Dracut	0
Tewksbury	24	Lawrence	12
Tewksbury	28	Cheimsford	24
Tewksbury	18	Wilmington	6
Tewksbury	18	Woburn	6
Tewksbury	20	Burlington	13
Total points	245	Total points	67



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Tewksbury Pop Warner

Tewksbury teams set to tackle North Carolina Saturday

The Tewksbury Pop Warner B team finished the 1980 season with a perfect 10-0 slate, as they knocked off Middlesex powerhouse Burlington 20-13 this past Sunday at the Ballou - DelRossi Field. The Tewksbury A team dropped a hard fought battle to the Patriot A team 7-6, while the Tewksbury In-Town League All-Stars were beaten by the undefeated Dracut C-team 15-0.

Sunday's games complete the season for the Tewksbury squads, as they prepare this week for their journey to the deep south to play in the National Bowl at Wake Forest University.

The following North Carolina champs will be playing the Tewksbury squads: This Saturday, November 15: 9 a.m. Tewksbury Chiefs vs Clemmons, N.C. Cowboys; 11 a.m. Tewksbury B team vs Winston-Salem Boys Club; 1 p.m. Tewksbury A team vs Kernesville, N.C.

At this time, arrangements are being made to have the B game broadcast back from North Carolina

live over station WCAP in Lowell at approximately 11 a.m. This game will pit two high-powered offensive teams against each other as the Winston-Salem team puts its 8-0 record on the line against the junior Redmen.

The Tewksbury teams will leave for North Carolina at 6 p.m. from the Youth Center this Thursday (Nov. 13) with a caravan of six buses and a contingent of cars, vans, campers etc. Upon arrival in North Carolina Friday, the group will be given a police escort through the city to Wake Forest University, where the youngsters will be given lunch and then driven to the various hosting cities around Winston-Salem.

Friday evening at six, there is a banquet for the Tewksbury and North Carolina players and cheerleaders with a reception later that evening for all the Tewksbury parents and coaches at the Benton Convention Center in Winston-Salem.

The National Field Director from Pop Warner headquarters, Jim Taft

will be on hand to help honor the youngsters from both states.

The games will be played Saturday with more parties planned for the Tewksbury visitors at the various hosting cities Saturday evening. The Tewksbury group will leave North Carolina at 7:30 a.m. Sunday morning and arrive back in Tewksbury at approximately midnight, Sunday, November 16.

letter

The boys and girls of Tewksbury Pop Warner would like to thank the members of the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks, the Father Coppens Council of the Tewksbury Knights of Columbus and the Lions Club who helped make their trip to North Carolina possible by helping with the Las Vegas Nights that helped to raise the funds for the trip. The following people are All-Americans:

Elks line-up: Bob McKenna, Dan Rooney, Jack Soderlund, Roger

Ulrickson, Jack Jones, Mert Curtis, Dan Bemis, Bucky Hitchcock and all the wives of the Elks who also worked so hard for our success.

Knights line-up: Jim and Marlene DeBay, Tony and Dolly Gizzi, Mike Otero, Bill Schueller, Mary Hallissey and Jackie Lindsey.

Also many thanks to Bill Hallissey, and Bob and Sue Sullivan of the Lions Club for their able assistance.

We would also like to thank all the people and businesses in town who helped make the ad book a success last season, and the Elks and Knights of Columbus for their generous donations.

A special thanks to two fine gentlemen, Frank Antonelli Sr. of the Knights and Bob Kelly of the Elks for their support and untiring efforts on our behalf.

Also hats off to Jim Miceli, our State Rep. for making the Schaeffer Stadium trip possible.

To the parents and fans of the teams, thanks for your support at the activities.

Finally, to all the coaches and wives of Tewksbury Pop Warner for their total commitment to the kids in all

kinds of weather, thanks for a great year.

Michael J. Whelton,
Director

Girls basketball sign-up

The Tewksbury Girls Recreation Basketball League will hold registration for the coming season Thursday, November 20 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Town Hall in Tewksbury. A supplemental sign-up will be held Saturday morning November 29 from 9:30 to noon, also

at the Town Hall. All girls must take a copy of their birth certificates for proof of age. To be eligible, a girl must have been born between December 31, 1971 and January 1, 1966. Anyone interested in coaching a team or acting as a referee may also sign-up at these times.

Thanks gang

Town Crier Sports Editor would like to thank Eleanor Riddle, Cathy Pacini, Betty Downs and Betty Spahl for their help in researching this

special edition. Thanks also go to Bob Dicey, Hugh Wiberg and Larz Neilson for their past and present contributions to Wilmington sports.

Photo answers

The Wildcat trackster throwing the shot put on page 20 is Rick McCully;

and the jump shooter from page 22 is Wilmington's Ray Noel.

Tewksbury Adult Basketball

Aubut's Liquors gores guard-less Sullivan's

Aubut's Liquors, sparked by the scoring of Gary Jenkins and Chris Prince along with the super defensive play of Tom Geary, jumped out to a 16-2 lead and were never headed enroute to a 69-46 rout of Sullivan's Insurance in the opening night of Tewksbury Adult Basketball League action Thursday.

Prince hit for 18 points and Jenkins 17, as Aubut's dominated both backboards and used a run and gun game to bury Sullivan's. First year players Brian Foley (four points and a bushel of boards), Mark Scamman (10 points) and Bob DeStefano (two points) all contributed to the impressive opening game victory.

Rounding out the winning attack were Geary (eight points), John Carlino (four points and some big rebounds) and player-coach Rick Cooke who fired in a pair of 20 foot jumpers to cut short a minor Sullivan's comeback in the third quarter.

Sullivan's guard-less attack depended upon the inside play of former Tewksbury High School star John Hurley who finished with 16 points.

In other opening night action, seven

time defending champ M&S Mobil withstood a 22 players deep Wang Labs team in a solid 72-63 win.

Barry Sheehan and 1979-80 MVP Gene Manley were up to their old tricks in the Mobil backcourt, with Sheehan swishing 26 points and Manley contributing 12 to the attack.

Keith Caveney sharpened his elbows to the tune of 19 Mobil points with Steve Catalano next in line with 10. Player-coach Mike Zabawa rounded out the attack with five points.

Former University of Lowell star

Wilmington Rec

Basketball sign-up

There are two more nights, November 12 and 19, to sign-up for the Wilmington Rec Basketball League. Sign-up is held at the High School gym from 7 to 9 p.m. After the team rosters are filled, the other players will be put on a waiting list, therefore it is advisable to register as soon as possible.

The youth division covers ages nine to 16 as of December 31, 1980. Each

Fred (6-8) McCall led all scorers for Wang with 28 points. Guard Russ Dufresne ran the offense for the team that packed its bags and went home with two games remaining to play in the 1979-80 season.

The second week of action (Nov. 13) pits Wang Labs against Aubut's Liquors in the first game at 7 p.m., followed by the Mobile-Jade East contest starting at 8:30. All Tewksbury Adult League games are played at the Tewksbury High School gym.

team will play about a 10 game schedule, plus playoffs.

Clinics will be held to teach the fundamentals of basketball. Dick Wetzen will be in charge of the clinics again this year. George Hanna and Larry McGrath will assist at the clinics.

The first clinic will be held for the nine and 10 year old boys on Saturday, Nov. 29, at 1 p.m. in the High School gym; 2:15 will be the starting time for the nine and 10 year old girls on the same date.

Mens' basketball

Six teams have entered the league thus far. If anyone wants to enter a team in the league, contact Howard LeFavour at the High School gym, Wednesdays, Nov. 12 and 19 between 7 and 9 p.m. Rick Barry, along with Altron, has entered a team in the league this year, and for the first time the Superstars are entering a team.

December 1 is the target date for the start of a 15 game schedule, and if possible a playoff will be held at the end of the season. November 22 will be the last date a team may be entered.

Volleyball team eliminated

Tewksbury High School's volleyball girls made their second Eastern Mass Tourney appearance a brief one Saturday at Milford, as coach Steve Catalano's team bowed out 2-6 in eight game round robin play.

Tewksbury's wins came against Newton Catholic (15-8) and Cambridge Rindge and Latin (15-10). The Redmen also lost one game to Cambridge Rindge and Latin and two games each to Lynnfield and Boston Latin, along with one setback to Newton Catholic.

Tewksbury finished the season with a 13-5 overall record, 11-5 in the Merrimack Valley Conference.

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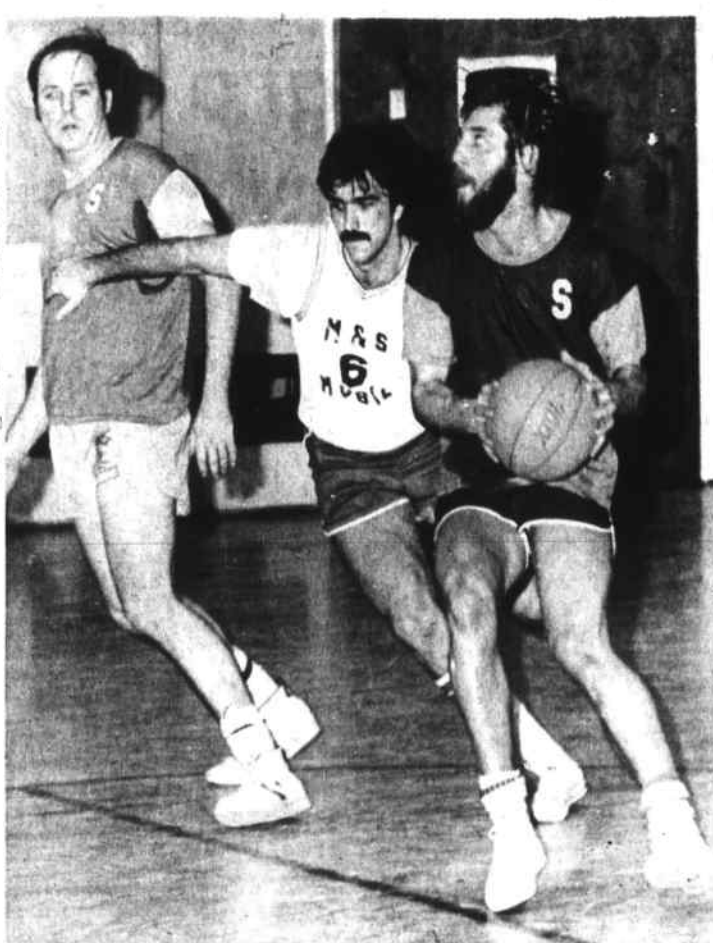
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Won't play

Mike Manna, shown driving to the basket against league champs M and S Mobil, is not only a former Sullivan's Insurance player, but a former Tewksbury Adult League player for at least one year. His request for 'free agency' was just recently denied by the league's coaches.

Adult Basketball Preview

Strong Tewksbury League even stronger

One of the area's best adult recreational basketball leagues is undergoing a bit of a facelift this season, with several new faces and a couple of older but talented players dotting the league's lineups.

The Tewksbury Adult Basketball League, long the playground of seven-time champion M&S Mobil, a team led by several players who were around long before Wilmington High School went to glass backboards, is really the only club that stood pat in the five team league that plays its 16 game schedule Thursday nights through April 9.

The other four squads have undergone several interesting roster changes worth noting. One thing hasn't changed however. Aubut's Liquors, Sullivan's Insurance, Wang Labs and Jade East are all still looking to unseat M&S Mobil.

It is also interesting to note that in a league that claims balance, Mobil has won the title seven times, with just one other team (Friendly's) able to snap the Gas-Gang's hold on the throne. A preview of this season's race.

M&S Mobil - Until someone proves that they can knock this team off in the big game, they will continue to lay claim to the title. The names are by now all too familiar. Guards Barry Sheehan and Gene Manley (last season's MVP); forward Keith (Sticks) Caveney, Brian Irwin, Steve Catalano, player-coach Mike Zabawa, and burly banger Bob McNabb.

Not much has changed here with the exception of T.J. Caveney, Keith's younger brother, who will make selected guest appearances while on school vacation to inject some fresh legs into an aging, but still seemingly productive backcourt.

Also, these guys are still waiting for the "big guy" to come down from the woods of Maine. The "big guy" is Len Gentle, who was the league's dominating player a couple of seasons back.

Aubut's Liquors - The team has lost 6-6 center Mike Mangano to the University of New Hampshire grad school, but through the annual draft they have gained a couple of young legs in guard Mark Scamman and leaping forward Brian Foley, who will be counted on to fill much of the rebounding gap created by Mangano's departure.

The presence of the smooth-shooting and fast breaking Scamman will open things up even more for guard Chris Prince, the league's premier player who understandably could use a bit more competition on most nights. Aubut's now boast the league's best backcourt combination with Prince and Scamman.

Back for another go-round is veteran center Gary Jenkins, a longtime steady offensive player in this league who was the MVP when he led Friendly's Ice Cream to the championship many moons ago. Jenkins and player-coach Rick Cooke are this team's veterans.

Aubut's also has swingman Tom Geary, who has his Jerry Sloan routine and floorburn medication all set for this season. Geary is perhaps the league's most improved player. Rounding out the Aubut's lineup are forward John Carlino, returning after a year's hiatus, second year player John Mangano and first year frontcourtman Bob DeStefano. The status of forward Steve Lamb is still uncertain, but if he should be able to play, Aubut's could really make things tough on the rest of the league.

Cross country

Borgeson leads Wildcat runners

Wilmington's boys cross country team placed ninth among the 29 teams in the Division IV All-State Cross Country Meet Saturday, with Carl Borgeson qualifying with his seventh place finish in a 175 runner field. Carl came home with a fine 16:29 time.

Other Wildcat winners were Bob Miele, Walt Daley, Mike Cassidy, Mike Stokes, Jim Vachon and Keith Ford.

Wilmington's girls were 11th in Division II with 341 points, as soph Mary McNaughton missed by just one point of qualifying for the All-States. She took 16th with a 20:41 time. Other Wilmington standouts were Lisa Desforge, Joan Lombardi, Linda Nistico and Patty Cassidy.

Wang Labs - The main man here is former Ulowell center Fred McCall, he of the smooth jumper and 6-8 frame. They come in with a 22 man roster, which could hurt their situation. If they ever get their lineup straightened out however, they could definitely be the team to beat in 1980-81.

Jade East - A super backcourt combo in Billy Mackey (returning after a layoff of several years) and Tom Saunders could fire this club to a championship. The Ahern's are back (Doug, Bob, Bunny) for more fun and games, as is veteran Ron Magee. First year player Paul Galinis will be counted on to fill a big rebounding void.

Sullivan's Insurance - The loss of Mike Manna to "free agency" and Jim Meuse to a knee injury sapped the team that played Mobil for the championship a year ago of some 45 points per game. That, plus the fact that the team lacks a guard, may make this a long season for coach Jim Sullivan.

John Hurley, a power forward out of Tewksbury High School and the all-time Redmen scoring leader, will be counted on to carry this team on most nights.

Vets Mickey Sullivan (center) and Jimmy Sullivan (forward-guard) are back along with Steve Perry and Walter Bacgiuplio. First year player Joe Korovos is the team's lone legitimate guard.

Tewksbury Adult Basketball League Schedule First Half November

Thirteenth: 7 p.m. Wang Labs vs Aubut's Liquors; 8:30 p.m. M&S Mobil vs Jade East; 20th 7 p.m. Sullivan Ins. vs M&S Mobil; 8:30 p.m. Jade East vs Wang Labs.

December

Fourth: 7:45 p.m. Wang Labs vs Sullivan Ins; 9 p.m. Jade East vs Aubut's Liquors; 11th 7:45 p.m. Jade East vs Sullivan Ins; 9 p.m. M&S Mobil vs Aubut's Liquors; 18th, 7:45 p.m. Sullivan Ins. vs Aubut's Liquors; 9 p.m. M&S Mobil vs Wang Labs; 30th, 7:45 p.m. Wang Labs vs Jade East; 9 p.m. M&S Mobil vs Sullivan Ins.

January

Eighth: 7:45 p.m. M&S Mobil vs Aubut's Liquors; 9 p.m. Jade East vs Sullivan Ins; 15th, 7:45 p.m. Jade East vs Aubut's Liquors; 9 p.m. Sullivan Ins. vs Wang Labs; 22nd, 7:45 p.m. M&S Mobil vs Jade East; 9 p.m. Wang Labs vs Aubut's Liquors.

Soccer

from page 13

out there and he had plenty of opportunities to explode and he didn't." Morgan was the team's leading scorer in the regular season, and the fact that he was kept off the scoreboard in the club's first tourney game ever had to be frustrating.

The Redmen overcame some adversity to even reach that first tourney contest. Four of the losses came by two goals, including 1-0 losses to Andover and Wilmington, twice the team dropped tough games to Billerica, and in the second loss Tewksbury had the Indians on the ropes.

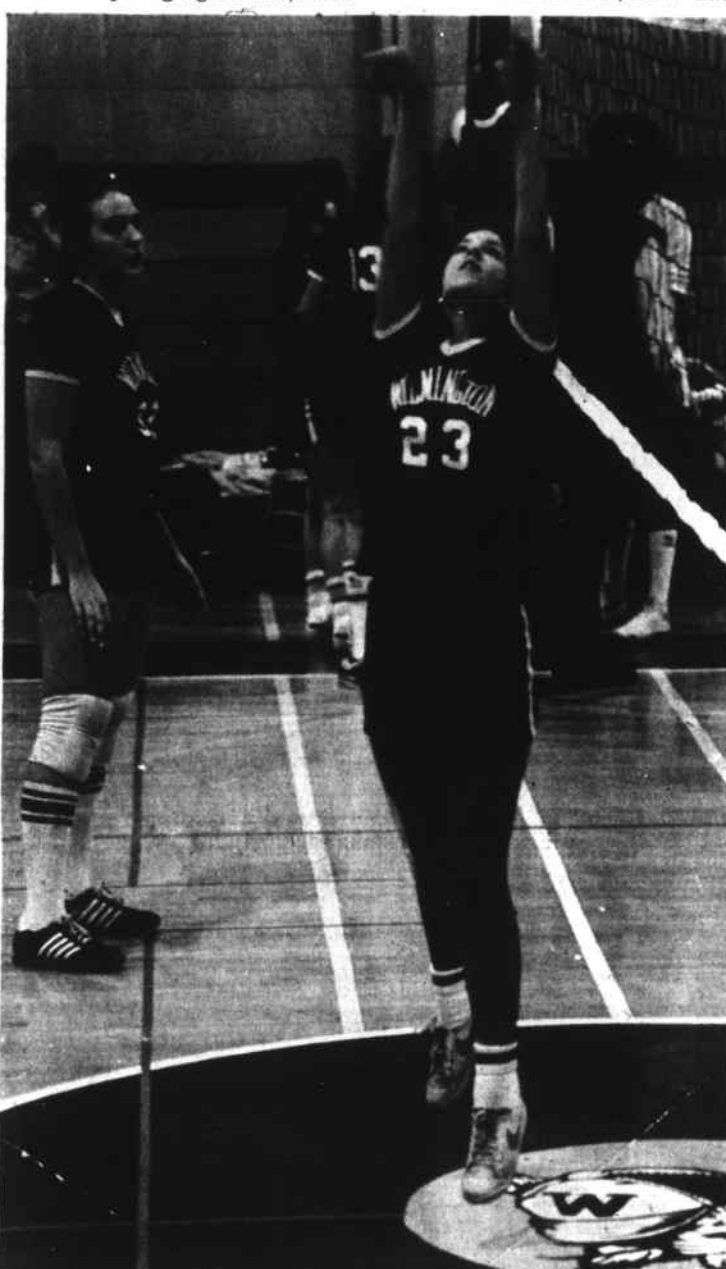
"We only had one blowout win this year (6-0) and we never won a game by more than three goals. Most of our wins were by two goals," said Levine. "Eighteen of our 23 players scored at least one point and three of the five who didn't score played defense."

When DeMaria, the starting goalie, was injured early in the season, the sophomore Poulin stepped in and carried Tewksbury through a tough seven game stretch.

DeMaria came right back and posted five consecutive shutouts during Tewksbury's tourney drive.

Tewksbury did not lose one game to an East opponent, tying an excellent Andover team and handing Methuen a rare defeat.

Levine, who thought his program might be on shaky ground when he first saw many of his current varsity players at the JV level, now says that off this season's big step forward, that there is no reason to expect that there isn't a Merrimack Valley Conference West soccer championship in Tewksbury's future.



Up and over

Wilmington's Sue Gedney (23) sends the ball back over the net for her team in their final game last week. The Wildcats club team completed a fine first season.

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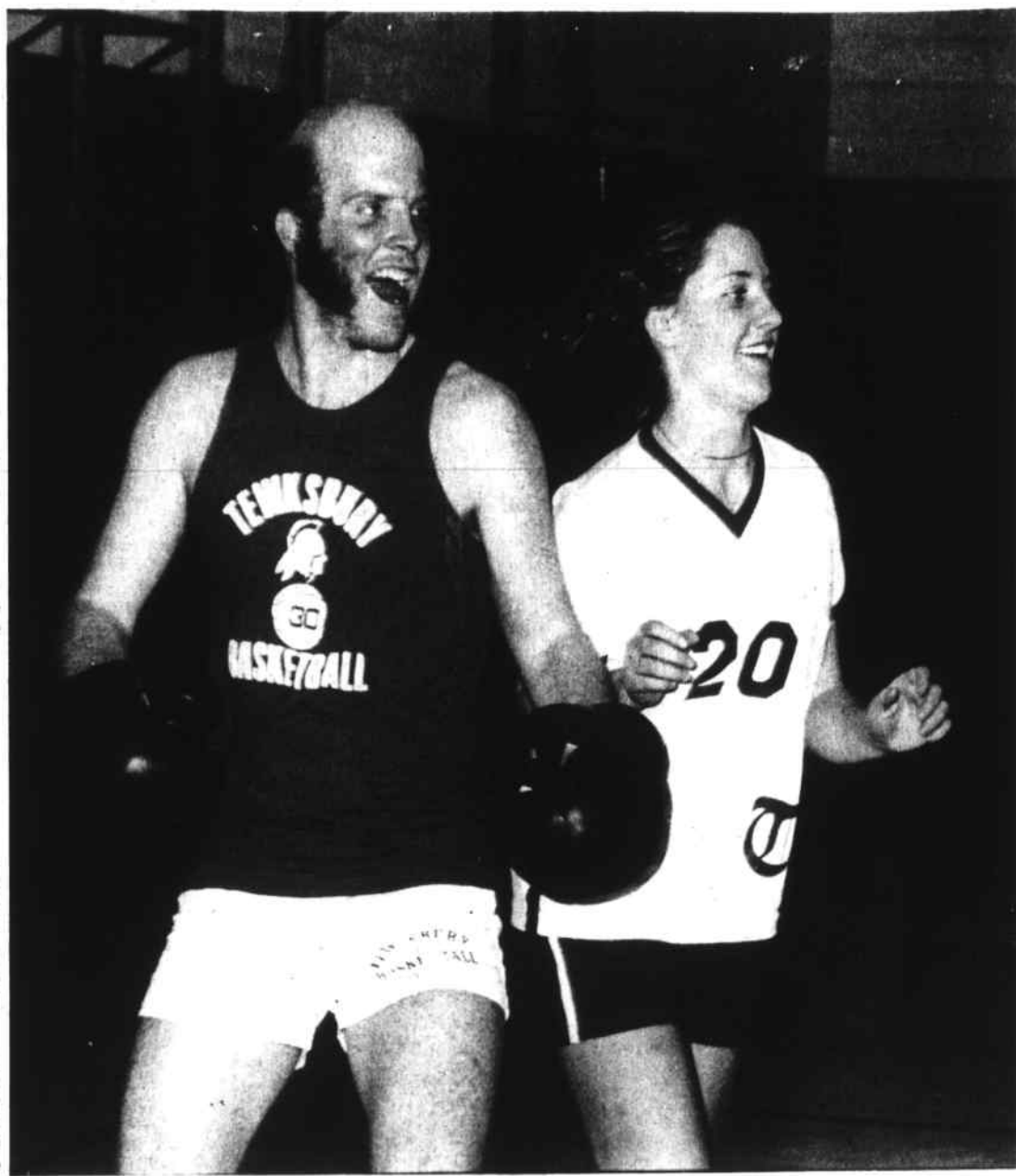
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A tough game

A few basketball seasons back, all-time Tewksbury High scoring leader John Hurley donned boxing gloves to battle Ann Seluk in the annual Kittens vs Mittens game.



**1953
Tewksbury
Indians**

Tewksbury's Little League Indians pictured in 1953: First row, l-r: Ed Parsley, Marshall Boylan, David Gath, Art D'Entremont, Art Beatrice, Alan Stephens and Bob Hickey. Second row, l-r: Jim Grouke (manager), Ed Pare, Francis Quirk, Richard Callendare, Norm Desmarais (coach), Dave Bolton, Jay Kelley, Ralph Haines and Sam Stephens (coach).



**Wilmington
champs**

The Wilmington High School 1977 field hockey team won the Merrimack Valley Conference championship under coach Jan Cassidy. The 1980 team remained unbeaten with a 3-1 tourney win Tuesday. See story page 13.



**First
soccer team**

Tewksbury's club soccer team, has come a long way since this 1974 photo. The 1980 varsity team qualified for the Eastern Mass Tourney. See story page 13.



**State
champ**

Tewksbury's Mike Keon (top) was a state wrestling champ in 1979.

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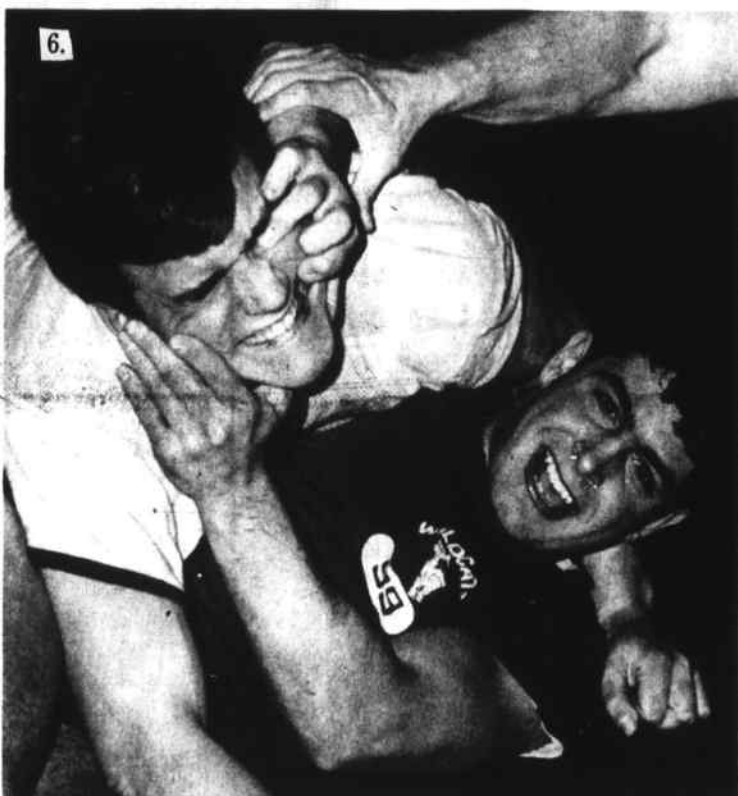
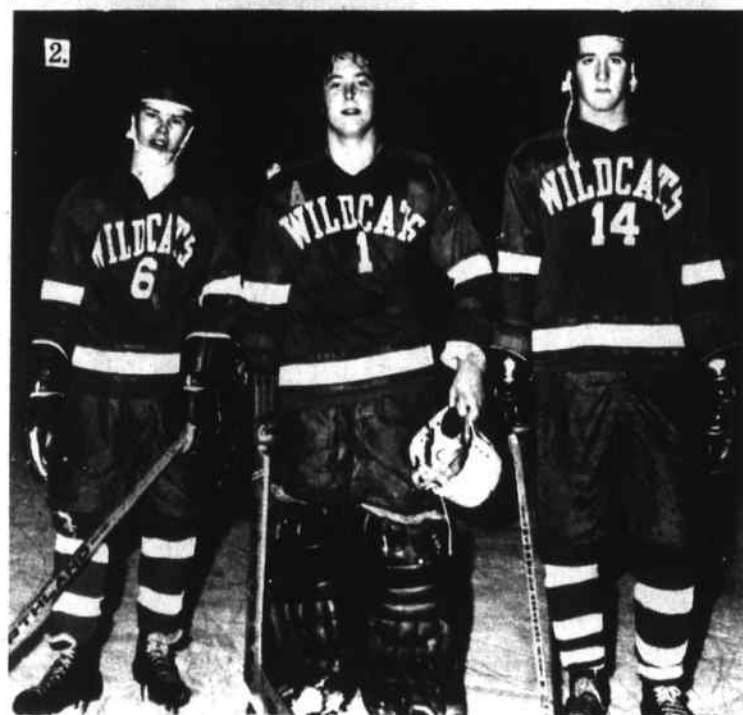
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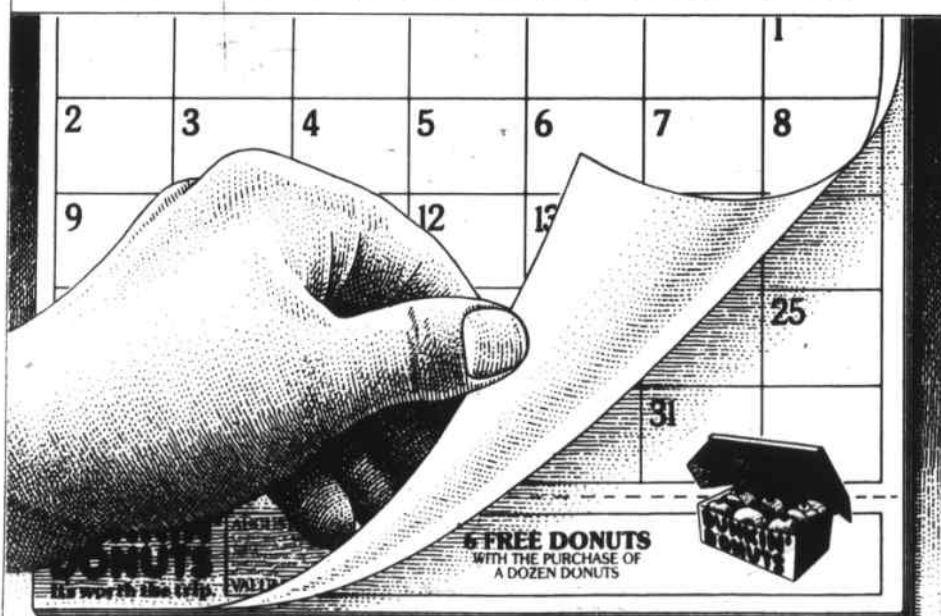
(1)-Athletic Director Larry Cushing and a photo of Jeanne Ashworth, champion speed skater; (2)-1974 hockey stars Brian Godfrey, Dean Devlin and Dana Mullarky; (3)-G goalie John Gagnon makes a save in 1979 tourney clincher; (4)-Frank Kelley carried off field after Cats clinched 1975 track championship; (5)-The 1966 girls basketball champs; and (6)-John Campbell applies a claw hold in 1977 wrestling tournament.



Some of the best

(7)-Sons of Italy Grand Venerable Aldo Caira and Coach Fred Bellissimo present Mike Esposito with Revere Bowl in 1971; (8)-Jon Fairfield throws shot put in 1963; (9)-Cagy Sam's boys, two time Rec League champs; (10)-field hockey star Cheryl Cushing (9); (11)-Jack Bowen heads for the University of Wyoming; and (12)-Billy Ritchie stars for the 1960 Little League Tigers.

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A look back at Wilmington sports

Wilmington sports proud, respected

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Sports Editor

Wilmington sports are taken very seriously, and I realize I run the risk of a tar and feathering if I omit just one outstanding athlete or event from any story summarizing the town's luminous sporting history.

Nevertheless I'm willing to give it my best shot. When Larz first began publishing the Town Crier in November of 1955, he was its news and sports staff, along with handling just about every other job, so I've heard.

It was then that Wilmington earned the well-deserved reputation of being the speed skating capital of the Northeast. Jeanne Ashworth was an Olympic champion, Mrs. Janet Tighe was the holder of five North American speed skating records, and the Eastern Seaboard Championships were skated on Wilmington's Silver Lake in the winter of 1960.

So, it was only natural that for the first few years Larz concentrated on Wilmington's speed skating prowess. Every week there was at least one or two stories on the top notch skaters, until Larz and the town discovered football, and a coach from Notre Dame by the name of Bellissimo.

Fred Bellissimo arrived just about

the time that Larz did, and he brought with him a tradition of winning football teams that stands upright today on the heels of Saturday's victory over previously-unbeaten Lawrence.

Fred led the Wildcats to a slew of championships and had teams that featured many super athletes, one of whom will probably be remembered as one of the greatest running backs in the history of Massachusetts high school football—Mike Esposito.

Espo, who later went on to have an outstanding career at Boston College and played professional football with the Atlanta Falcons, shattered the state schoolboy scoring record, a mark that stood until last year.

The athletic director at the high school for 28 years was Larry Cushing, a man respected all over the state. The Cushing family, including Larry's son Jack, has played a vital role in Wilmington sports.

Larz was largely responsible for most of the sports coverage until the 1970's, when Bob Dicey, a Wilmington High School drafting instructor, a former varsity basketball coach at the school and a busy referee and umpire, took over the responsibility of keeping up with interscholastic sports.

Bob was the sports honcho here when many of the Wildcat teams were dominating, when the town's Recreation program was flourishing, and perhaps when interest in school sports coverage was really starting to take off.

Dicey got the ball rolling as far as the sports beat here was concerned, and I simply picked it up and ran with it, expanding where I saw fit.

Some of the super teams and individuals who have garnered Town Crier ink are: The 1977 EMass baseball champs coached by current Wilmington AD Jim Gillis; the outstanding talents of Wildcat basketball center Dick Dowd; the 1977 MVC girls softball champs; Jim McNally, a contender for the light heavyweight boxing crown and a former Golden Gloves heavyweight champ.

Wilmington's unique track coach Frank Kelley, who has won championships over a 20 year period at a school dwarfed by the Chelmsford's and Billerica's.

The Wildcat field hockey girls, who dominated the sport in the MVC over the 1973-77 period, and who just won another MVC crown with a 12-0-1 record. Coach Jan Cassidy has reason to boast about her team's flashy 84-12-22 slate.

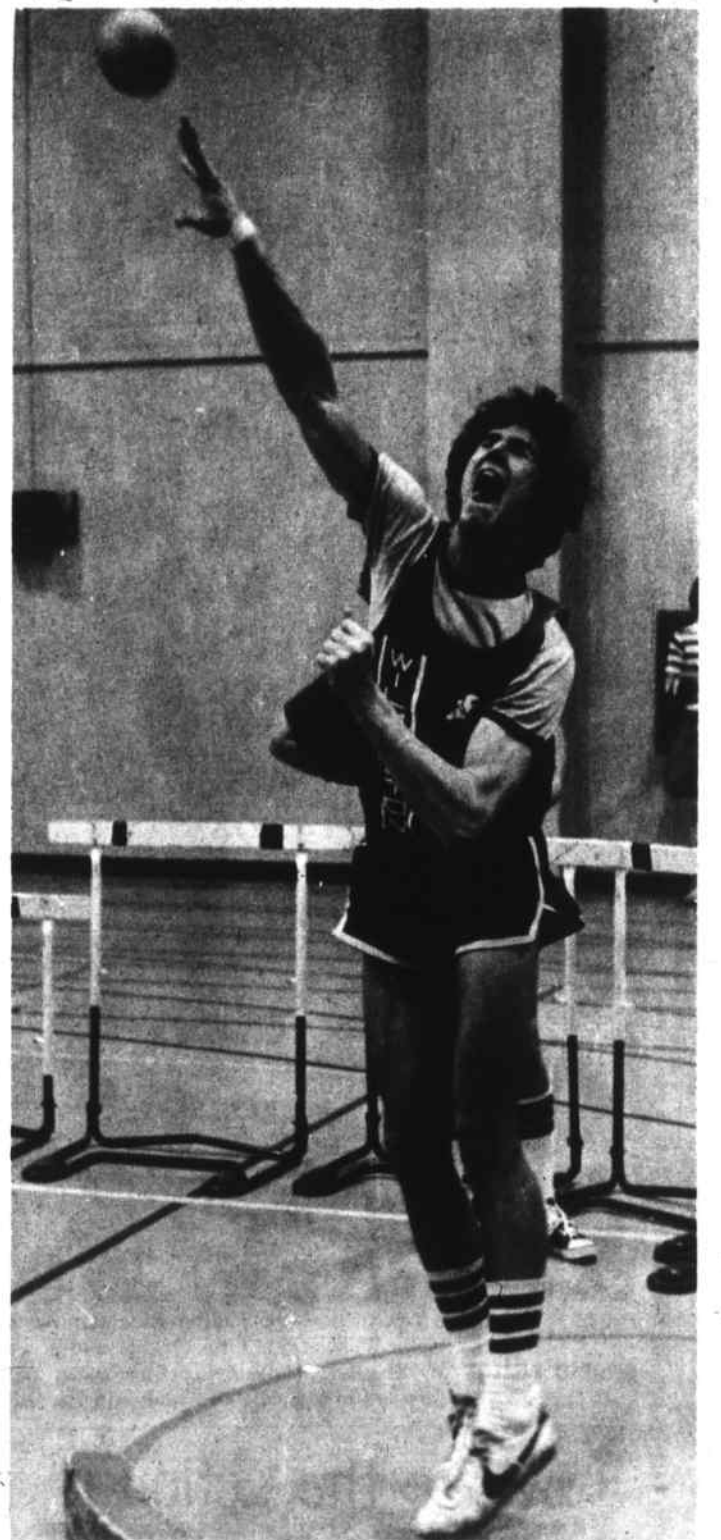
Soccer also has a winning tradition in Wilmington that was renewed by the 1979 tournament team. One of the better Cat soccer clubs was the 1973 MVC champs coached by Frank Lentine. Current head man Bill Peabody was an assistant under Lentine that season.

Recently, Wilmington has garnered much satisfaction over knocking Tewksbury out of the football Super Bowl in 1976 and 1979, and that rivalry has been extended to all sports, where championship showdowns have become the norm rather than the exception. The Wilmington vs. Tewksbury tong war has extended to soccer, hockey and baseball especially.

A number of outstanding individuals come immediately to mind. Howie Lefavour, a man who for years has spent a couple of nights a week in one school gym or another, helping Wilmington youngsters develop their basketball talents.

The Cushings, Kelley, Bellissimo and current WHS head football coach John Ritchie have all been vital parts of the town's sporting wheel, along

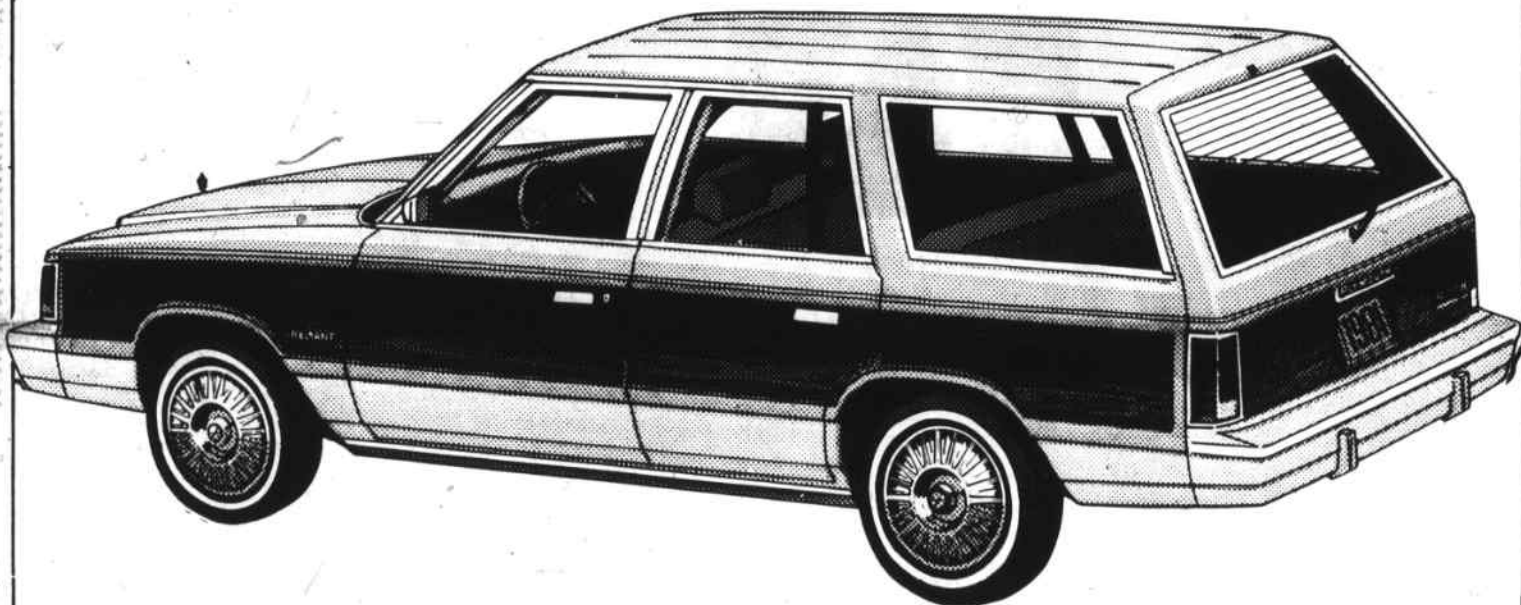
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Extra
effort

Wilmington High School athletes have always been known to put out that extra effort. Top to bottom; Mark Venuti uncorks the shot put (1979); Jim Busby breaks the tape after sprint (1975); and coach Jim Gillis congratulates Jim Stewart on his no-hitter that clinched the MVC championship on the last day of the 1977 season.

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Tewksbury sports came to the Crier in 1973

From the gridiron to the typewriter

by Rick Cooke
Sports Editor

The Town Crier was expanding into Tewksbury in 1973 and through a friend, I heard that the newspaper was looking for someone to cover the high school football game each Saturday.

I was interviewed, hired, and just one year after I had played through a 2-6 Tewksbury High School football season, I was a "beat" man with humble beginnings, covering a team that was a notch worse (1-8) than the club I played with.

We started small in Tewksbury, one or two stories a week tops, with rare action photos that if I was responsible for taking weren't very good.

It's interesting that if you have been following this sports section since I first arrived, you have probably had a ringside seat to a sportswriter's education.

As I learned and became more confident in my abilities, the sports section grew. Naturally, with all the sports in Tewksbury the section was eventually expanded from one or two pages to the four to six pages - to the sometimes even 10 page section that is published each week.

But, this naturally isn't a tribute to any sportswriters abilities, but a look

back at some of the super athletes and events that have made my job so much easier and more interesting than a punch in - punch out nine to five snoozer of an occupation.

Some super memories

Last week I spent the better part of three afternoons in the paper's attic wading through miles of microfilm, looking to jar the memory and recall just which teams and athletes were outstanding or just which events stood out in my mind.

It didn't take me long to look back and recall fondly some of the more interesting assignments.

Bob Aylward's first game as Tewksbury High head football coach - a romp over Westford (or was it Westford Academy?); the 1976 and 1979 TMHS football teams that came so close to Super Bowl status; the outstanding play of Chris Prince and John Hurley - the all time TMHS basketball scoring leader. I covered the last two Tewksbury High School basketball teams to qualify for the tournament my second and third years on the job.

The refurbishing of the Center School (now Walter Doucette) Field, the transformation of a mud bowl into one of the best fields in the conference.

The two Tewksbury High hockey

teams that qualified for the tourney on consecutive years; the many TMHS wrestling - champs; the first Tewksbury High School soccer team - a club that qualified for the Eastern Mass Tourney on the varsity level for the first time this season.

The successful Pop Warner football program that was convinced I was a communist when I asked just what its priorities were in a November 1976 Sports Comment.

Rookie TMHS Athletic Director Mickey Sullivan, who was the subject of some criticism from me when he was first hired, but has since proven me to be somewhat of a dummy.

The retirement of the beloved and longtime Tewksbury Athletic Director Charlie Hazel; the track records set by Paul Bradley (shot put), Bob Pilcher (high jump), Mike Hurton (distance runner), Jim Jones (high jump) and coach Mike Daley's 1976 cross country champs.

The rapid development of the varsity volleyball program under coach Steve Catalano, who has seen his team qualify for the tournament twice in its five years in existence.

The success of girls cross country in Tewksbury, coached by Bob MacDougall; the dominance of a bunch of former TMHS stars who play under

the banner of M&S Mobil in the Tewksbury Adult Basketball League.

John Corbett's leaving the varsity hockey reigns after last season to accept the head job at my alma mater, Suffolk University.

Tewksbury High's baseball team qualifying for the tournament last spring; and all the hard work put in by the people who organize and coach Youth Baseball, Youth Hockey, Youth Soccer and Recreation basketball and bowling in Tewksbury. Without their help providing publicity, my job would be next to impossible.

I can't omit one of the most enjoyable teams I have ever covered, the Tewksbury High School girls basketball team led by a pair of sophomores that qualified for the Eastern Mass Tournament for the first time ever in 1980.

This is the one column that I will come right out and say thanks to all the coaches, athletes and administrators for making my job that much easier. It's been a great seven years of Tewksbury sports, most of it covered here in the Town Crier.



**Tewksbury
football
tradition**

Top to bottom: Bob Aylward fires up middle guard Mark Petros; Coach Charlie Hazel is carried off field; assistant Jim Kastritis celebrates 1977 upset of Dracut with Rick McGillick; standout runningback Jay Petros (76-77) turns the corner with help from Guy Indelicato (31).

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WILMINGTON'S OLYMPIC QUEEN



JEANNE ASHWORTH

Jean Ashworth, Wilmington's Olympic Queen, as she appeared last winter, at the time of her winning of the North American Speed Championship (Senior Women), at Rochester, N.Y.

Jeanne Ashworth has a date for January 1, 1960. On that day she is to report to the coach of the US Olympic Skating Team, in Chicago, Illinois for training for the 1960 Olympiad, which will be held in Squaw Valley, California, in February.

Jeanne will be the only woman on the Speed Skating Team who lives east of the Mississippi River.

She returned home last Thursday evening, after having won the 1000 meter event, in the Olympic Tryouts, at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Jeanne, 20 years old, is a veteran speed skater who has been skating since she was 9

Senior Women's three-quarter mile record, made in 1957 in Champaign, Illinois, having skated that distance in 2 minutes and 16.8 seconds. She still holds several records which were made when she skated in the Intermediate class, (girls 16 and 17 years old) and a record she made eight years ago, as a Juvenile.

And it all started on a little pond, across from her father's ice cream stand, on Lowell Street, a pond on land since bought by AVO, and now filled in.

Jeanne started skating as a nine year old girl, on an old pair of figure skates - second hand skates.

Her prowess on skates soon attracted attention - she has a stride that would do credit to any man.

Her daddy soon had to buy Jeanne a pair of speed skates, the kind the racers use - and those skates cost \$75 a pair.

Since then Jeanne has outgrown five pairs of Racing Skates, as she grew to womanhood.

First Trip West of Mississippi

The trip to St. Paul, at which she won the 1000 meter grown five pairs of Racing Skates, as she grew to womanhood.

First Trip West of Mississippi

The trip to St. Paul, at which she won the 1000 meter event was the first time that Jeanne was ever west of the Mississippi River.

The Minnesota Skating Association, each year, sponsors the North American Outdoor Championships, which she never could afford to attend.

This year, had she wanted to she could have entered the competition - and she probably would have won, for she watched the races, while she was waiting for the Olympic tryouts.

But Jeanne couldn't take a chance, for Olympic Skating differs from the ordinary type of skating in the United States.

Olympic skaters skate against the clock, two at a time, instead of the hurly-burly type of competition held in this country, where 40 contestants may be jockeying for position in the same race.

Olympic skating is the kind usually held in Europe, where there are many skating rinks made to the Olympic specifications. Nearly every large city has an Olympic rink - there are forty in the city of Moscow, all maintained by the Russian government.

There are only three in the United States - with a fourth one now under construction at Squaw Valley, Calif.

Two of the three rinks are what could be called professional rinks, the one in Powderhorn, Minnesota, where the tryouts were held, and another at Crossinger, New York.

The third rink is strictly an amateur job, made by Jeanne and her friends, in Ballardvale, where the Shawshen River has been dammed.

Some very kind Andover folks have helped her, keeping the ice clear of snow, and she has from time to time borrowed lanterns from the Wilmington Water Department to light the course at nighttime, for her long practice sessions.

Jeanne, too, has enlisted the help of Wilmington folks, many of them members of the Wilmington Skating Club, to keep the rink in the best possible condition - all volunteer help.

Different Skates

Olympic Skating, against a stop watch instead of against a crowd of fellow contestants, is thought to be a fairer method of judging relative abilities.

Olympic Skating, too, has a different kind of skates than the American skaters use. They are longer, and lower. They do not give as much support to the ankles - in fact no support at all. The blades are much thinner - so thin that they are easily damaged.

A pair of Olympic Skates cost \$30. The shoe is made in Chicago, and the blade comes from Norway.

The Olympic Skates are not to be described as rugged, as are the American Skates, which cost over twice as much! Eddy Dame, of Wakefield, who was one of the men who tried out

Russian Competition

Jeanne is probably going to get her biggest competition from the team of Russian Women Skaters who will be attending the 1960 Olympiad.

Russians, the American sports enthusiasts say, make their teams 'professional' in a manner that would not be allowed in the United States.

Amateur or professional, the majority of the Women's speed records are now held by Russian Women.

Jeanne thinks that there is a Russian Woman who has done 1000 meters in 1 minute and 35 seconds. Her own record, not the fastest ever done in North America, was 1 minute and 52 seconds - a record made eight days ago, in Minnesota, with a strong headwind, and a below zero temperature. The wind, Jeanne reports was blowing 30 to 40 miles an hour against her at the time of the match.

Attending Bouve Boston

Jeanne is a Junior at Poughkeepsie, an affiliate of Tufts University, where she is studying Physical Education. She is now doing practice teaching in the Lexington (Mass) Junior High School.

Jeanne will have to spend a lot of her time on bicycle, for the next year, as the Olympic coaches recommend this exercise for strengthening the leg muscles.

She will also have to attend school all summer, to make up for the two months she will lose, next winter, while she attends the Olympics.

And it won't be painless, in a money sense. The Northeast Skating Association, of which the Wilmington Club is a part, had to pay \$600 for Jeanne's entry fee, and another \$500 because she was a winner.

And this doesn't include any of the expenses that Jeanne will incur, during the two months of travel, training, and competition.

Her daddy will have to sell an awful lot of ice cream, in the next year.

RICKY FROTTON PITCHES A NO HITTER



WILMINGTON 4 NO ANDOVER 0

Ricky Frotton, 17 year old Junior in Wilmington High School pitched a No Hitter, Friday afternoon, against the North Andover High School team and thus leading the Wilmington team to its third League win of the series.

It was the first no hitter by a Wilmington High School pitcher since Joe Woods Jr. defeated Tewksbury in a game played back in 1940.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Frotton of Middlesex Ave., Ricky has been successively the star pitcher of the Little League and the Pony League, and now is filling the same bill with Wilmington High School's nine.

He has allowed only one hit in two games, so far, this season. Last year, while playing in the Pony League he pitched a no hitter against a Reading team.

Ricky pitched five perfect innings. In the first and second innings one hit was made each time, a grounder to third base, each of which resulted in an out.

The game saw Wilmington make 7 hits, 2 by Edgar, 2 by Grant, and 1 each by Dumello, Gillis and Frotton. Edgar scored two runs, Gillis 1, and Jexford one on balls.

TEAM HAS WON 4, LOST 0

The team's record, as of Wednesday morning, was four wins and no losses, in the Lowell Suburban League play.

But the game with Dracut was a close one, won in the eighth inning when Fields singled to drive in the winning run.

Ricky Frotton gets the credit for the win. He pitched 2 2/3 innings, and Jeff Williamson

the first part.

The game was marked by the phenomenal hitting of Driscoll who played shortstop for Dracut. Driscoll hit a single, a double, and a triple.

Melzar, Frotton and Beaton each had two hits for Wilmington. Runs were scored by Gillis, Beaton, Frotton and Blackburn, who was running for Dumello, who had got a walk in the 8th inning.

The game was tied all the way until the eighth, each team getting a run in the 3rd, the 6th and the 7th innings.



This high flying WHS guard pops in two points in a 1973 MVC game. Who is he? For the answer turn to page 15.

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1950's were boom years for Tewksbury

Editor: This special newspaper edition is primarily a celebration of the Town Crier's 25th anniversary of covering Wilmington; but just because the Tewksbury edition of the Town Crier wasn't published until six years ago, that doesn't necessarily mean there wasn't anything newsworthy going on in Tewksbury back there in '55! In fact, the whole '50's decade witnessed a population boom that dramatically changed the shape of the town; so the Town Crier thought it only fitting to chronicle some of the more important events of the '50's.

1950 Tewksbury

One day in 1963, Tom Sawyer packed up the last of his belongings, ushered his family into the truck, and turned around for one last tearful look at the 40 acres of verdant pasture land off Maple Street that had provided nourishment for his milking cows for over 20 years.

Although there was over a century between them, perhaps he felt a sympathetic kinship with the Indians who once hunted and farmed that same land, before the great wheels of progress forced them too to go elsewhere.

Tom was going to New Hampshire. He had had enough of the calls from his new neighbors that his cows were once again running loose. He couldn't

help it; the kids in the new housing subdivisions nearby were knocking down his barbed wire fences, and the cows were escaping.

The area was just getting too crowded for farming.

Tom was one of the last farmers in Tewksbury to go. By 1960, only a handful were left of the 35 dairymen here in 1950.

In 1951, Town Meeting voted \$1.65 million to establish a water supply system, and ever since people flooded in like gold miners from all over the Greater Boston area. Tewksbury's population increased by 10,000 in the 1950's.

Although the 50's marked the end of Tewksbury's farming industry, they were boom years for other industries. Town government also expanded; and the school system and churches grew like they probably never will again.

Government

There was so much new development in Tewksbury in the 1950's that the town had to set up a board of appeals, planning board, building inspector and industrial commission to oversee it.

Also, a civil defense department was established, and, of course, a water department.

The first water commissioners, named in 1951, were John Cooney,

Eben Prescott, and Joseph Whelan. That year they arranged for the development of the first gravel packed wells, Wells 1 and 2, off Easement Road. In 1955, 1958 and 1959, Wells 3, 4, and 5 were developed off Chandler Street.

Two 500,000 gallon reservoirs were also erected in the 50's decade - one in 1951 at the top of Ames Hill off North Street, and the other in 1958 on Ames Hill on the Ames Estate.

In 1953 the new water department building at 918 Main St. was dedicated.

The 1955 Town Meeting established the industrial commission, which was to promote business and industry in Tewksbury. Fifteen members were named, with James Gaffney Jr. the first chairman.

In 1959, Town Meeting voted \$1,000 for plans for the South Tewksbury Fire Station. A little earlier in the decade, the all-women auxiliary fire department was formed. They bought their own fire truck and equipment, and performed many a service to the regular fire department during local fires. They were also known throughout the state, and were very popular in the many parades in which they participated.

The civil defense department was re-organized in 1950 by Howard King, after about a five year lapse following

WWII. George McDermott was named the first director, with John Hart as assistant. The air raid wardens so active during the war then became known as the auxiliary police.

The above - mentioned Tom Sawyer, who served on the Tewksbury Planning Board from 1956 to 1963, reflected on Tewksbury government in the 1950's during a friendly chat with this reporter at his home on Glen Road in Wilmington last Friday. He moved from New Hampshire to Wilmington in 1974.

"Before the 50's," he said, "you had to be someone of good character to hold public office. It was small town politics. But all the newcomers in the 50's wanted to make Tewksbury into a city. Then some people got elected because they promised favors. That changed a lot of things."

Schools

The increase from 1,000 to 4,500 in the student population in Tewksbury in the 1950's at first caused extremely large classes, makeshift classrooms in basements and lunch rooms as well as at the Town Hall, and half-day sessions at all levels.

For several years Tewksbury led the state in the rate of pupil growth. The townspeople met the challenge of overcrowding by constructing four new schools - North Street School

(1952), Shawsheen School addition (1952), Heath Brook School (1957), and the Memorial High School (1959). It also became necessary to re-open the Ella Flemings and Foster Schools, which were closed in 1949 and 1952 as obsolete and unneeded, and to remodel the old high school into an elementary school, the Center School.

It also became necessary to increase the school committee to from three to five members. Everett Thistle, who had been an elementary principal in Tewksbury, in 1956 became the first full-time superintendent of an independent Tewksbury School System. Before then, Tewksbury shared a superintendent with Wilmington and Middleton.

Churches

The heavy influx of people into Tewksbury also provided the churches with the need and means of expanding.

On Nov. 29, 1959, appropriate services were conducted by the Rev. J. Thurston Powell at the dedication of the new Parish House of the Tewksbury Congregational Church.

Because of the increased membership in the First Baptist Church's Sunday School, ground was broken for a Parish Hall on Jan. 5, 1959. Additional land was given by Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Fitzgerald. In 1955, Dr. Washington Benson Trull left a

large legacy to the church, the interest to be used to pay certain bequests. He also left a bequest "to erect a boulder at or near the site of the home of Captain John Trull, a Captain and Minuteman in the Revolutionary War, in his honor."

The boulder and tablet was placed at the corner of River and Hood Roads with appropriate shrubbery around it.

The Methodist Church laid the cornerstone for a new church on South Street on Oct. 18, 1959. The land used was the old Jonathan Brown Homestead, which still contained the home of the late Enoch Foster when the church bought it in 1956. It was supposedly originally built as a tavern. In the summer of 1957, efforts were made to move the house to another part of the site where it could be used as an educational building. Later, it was razed to make way for the present church.

On Nov. 3, 1958, the hopes and dreams of so many were realized with the dedication ceremonies for the new school and convent at St. William's Church. One year later, a rectory was built to house those parish priests who were left homeless when a fire destroyed the Novitiate building on Jan. 25, 1959.

Remember the Tewksbury High Class of '55?

Class Officers



Carolyn M. Shea, vice president; James Doherty, president; James Farley secretary; and Josephine Basile, treasurer.

Headmaster



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Student Council



First row: R. Allen, K. Hunt, J. Doherty, J. Briggs, J. Johnson.

Second row: M.J. Farley, J. Donahue, M. Shea, W. Day, P. Lambert, F. Sussenberger, M. Button, J. Doherty, B. Ebinger.

Editor: These reflections by Carol Sherwood, a member of the Class of '55, were published in the Tewksbury High School Yearbook in 1955.

Tramp! Tramp! Tramp! Seventy eight freshmen entered Tewksbury High School in 1951. Although the building and the changing of classes weren't new to us, we were certainly excited that we had finally become freshmen. Our class advisors who greeted us were Mrs. Stevens and Mr. Leiter.

We welcomed in our freshman year a new superintendent of schools, Mr. Thomas L. Rivard. Also during the year we watched the building of two new grammar schools.

Our first class meeting was for the purpose of electing our class officers. We elected Mary Ann Shea, president; John Kelly, vice president; Robert Sullivan, secretary; and Joe Basile, treasurer.

We certainly did admire Bob Barron and Pat Lawlor who were chosen King and Queen respectively of the gala senior dance.

Then came that all important election for the Student Council. Pat Lawlor and Mary Ann Shea were chosen as our capable representatives. Pat was also chosen as a football cheerleader to help cheer our football team on to victory.

We sponsored our first dance on November 17, 1951. We gave it the title of "Turkey Festival."

This was the time when the Rinehart Handwriting System was introduced. Once a month they checked our progress in forming our letters and numbers correctly.

Hurray for the girls' basketball team! They won the Suburban Championship and also came out on top in the Littleton Tournament.

Somehow we slipped into our second year of high school after struggling through final exams; and our sophomore officers were Louis Marion, president; Tommy Aspell, vice president; Kay Hunt, secretary; and Jo Basile, treasurer. The Student Council representatives were Louis Marion, Jo Basile and Kay Hunt.

To our surprise we saw some new faces around school. Miss Keith, Mr. Oliver, and Mr. Smith joined the faculty as teachers of the eighth grade.

The Republicans returned by electing Dwight D. Eisenhower as president. We all prayed for peace which finally came in July. Other important events were the Bermuda Conference, hydrogen bomb experiments, and the Geneva Conference.

Many steps are saved by the intercommunication system which was installed. Remember Mr. McGowan saying "Carry on" at the end of each notice?

The "Tramps Delight" was our second dance held October 25, 1952. Old clothes was the dress and a good time was had by all.

The tennis courts were put to good use. They were resurfaced and new equipment was bought. They seemed to be used during every spare moment.

Wedding bells rang out for our Mr. Leiter in June of 1953. The class presented him with a percolator as a gift.

What, Juniors already? Yes, we

had reached our next to last year before we knew it.

This year our class decided to be different. Four good, strong males were elected as class officers. Rae Sutherland was chosen as president, Tommy Aspell as vice president, Jimmy Doherty as secretary, and Jimmy Riddle as treasurer. As our four representatives to the Student Council, we chose Rae Sutherland, Kay Hunt, Jo Basile, and Tommy Aspell.

A new sport was started at T.H.S. - field hockey. Many girls signed up for this extra curricular activity and soon were in full swing out on the athletic field.

Kay Hunt, Mary Ann Shea, and Jan Donahue were among the football cheerleading staff and Jan was elected to cheer our basketball games on to victory also.

The two dances were successful. The "February Frolic" was extra special because it featured music by George Emmons. Everybody had a good time at this affair. Our second dance was the "Spring Delight."

Wow!! Seniors!! Could it be possible?

We started the year off with election of officers. Jimmy Doherty was elected as president, Mary Ann Shea as vice president, Jimmy Farley as secretary and Jo Basile as treasurer. Jimmy Doherty, Mary Ann Shea, Kay Hunt, and Jo Basile were our Student Council members. Lindy Gleason and Jan Donahue became our basketball cheerleaders.

As I was watching a football game, I noticed many things. Out in the corner of the field there seemed to be something missing. Then I realized that the score board was no longer there. In the bleachers, I saw many people dressed in uniform. Could this be the Tewksbury band and baton twirlers? Sure enough during the half time they did an excellent job of entertaining the fans. Kay Hunt, Mary Ann Shea, Jan Donahue, and Liz Kelly led the crowd in cheering as Tommy Aspell, the captain, led the team.

Our boys' basketball team participated in the Townsend Tournament and our girls' team fought hard in the Littleton Tournament.

We had three dances this year; the "Kickoff" was held in September, the December dance featured Al Mitchell, and a dance was held April 15, 1955.

Soon final exams were over and we were rushing through Senior Week. Our banquet was held on June seventh and we went to Provincetown on June eighth.

As we made our last trip down the "Halls of Ivy" on June tenth, we thought of the many happy and rewarding years that we had spent at Tewksbury High School.

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Third row: J. Doherty; B. Conley; M. Jasilewicz; J. Denehy; B. Aspell; C. Sennett; B. O'Connell.

Band



Front row: P. Lawlor; G. Lawlor; A. Garside; R. Currier; B. Karner; M. Buchanan; C. Sherwood; M. Hunt.

Second row: E. Barrelle; B. Dewing; F. Cummings; E. Friend; Mr. Symonds, director; J. Quirk; R. Barlow; R. Whitney; J. Wells.

"Nutcracker" ballet at Tewksbury Hospital Dec. 14



The Friends of the Tewksbury Hospital has signed the Boston Repertory Ballet to two performances of the "Nutcracker Suite" in the Tewksbury Hospital auditorium on Sunday, Dec. 14.

There will be an afternoon and an evening performance, with tickets selling at \$7.50 each. The low price was made possible by the Friends attaining a grant for partial funding of the event from the Massachusetts Council on Arts and Humanities.

Paul McAskill, president of the Friends, urges that tickets be purchased early, as the auditorium only holds 500 people.

Tickets may be bought at the following places: reception desk in the lobby of the Tewksbury Hospital, Sheehan's Pharmacy in Tewksbury Center, the Andover Bank at the Center, at the 133 Market on Andover Street, or from any member of the Friends' board of directors.

The board of directors is James Gaffney, Dorothy Aldrich, Jim Miceli, Mary Jane Marcucci, Paul McAskill, Thomas Kelley, Barbara Mackey, Thomas Ryan, Robert Cook, John Gleason, Louis Carciofi, Anthony Cappucci, Sandra Polimeno, and Denis DeDeo.

Ballet class

On Monday, Dec. 8 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. the same group, the Boston Repertory Ballet, will hold a dancing class at the Tewksbury Junior High School for dancers already beyond the beginner level. Admission is \$5.

For more information, call Paul McAskill at 851-9779 or Mary Jane Marcucci at 851-5940.



Financial aid

Parents can learn how to fill out financial aid forms during the Open House for Tewksbury High School at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 18.

Walter Costello, financial aid director at ULowell, will conduct the financial aid conference in the high school auditorium.

An old fashioned wedding

A horse and carriage in front of the church gave some clue that a wedding was taking place. But the wedding at the Wilmington Congregational Church on a recent Saturday afternoon was special for more than its mode of transportation. The groom was the descendant of a family active in the church a century ago.

"We wanted to have an old fashioned wedding," said Sandra Sheppard Crowley, the bride.

The bridegroom, Peter T. Crowley of Reading is descended from the Bond family of Wilmington. The Bond family was very active in the Wilmington Congregational Church at the time when the present church was built, in 1864.

The bride and her father were picked up at 145 High Street in Reading for a 45 minute carriage ride to the church. The address is the former Jake Manning nursery. The carriage was hired from Bill Stone of Sudbury.

The bride wore a "Gone with the Wind" gown designed by Priscilla of diamond white voile featuring a bodice accented with a portrait neckline and a veil and Venice collar with bishop sleeves. The softly pleated skirt was appliqued with a deep hemline of veil and Venice lace forming the train.

Her only attendants were her two daughters, Sherry Ann age five and a half as flower girl and Jennifer, age two and half, was the ring bearer. The girls' dresses were made by the mother of the bride, as was the pillow carried by Jennifer.

The best man was Jeff Manning, a descendant of Jake Manning. The ushers were James Boyer and Steve Noury. The groom wore a family watch and chain, and carried an ebony cane.

The Rev. Charles Meyers, interim pastor of the church officiated at the ceremony. He mentioned the history of the Bond family in the church, and told of the origin of the rings. The bride's ring was her grandmother's, from Finland. The groom's belonged to his father, John R. Crowley. The ceremony included the bride's two daughters, uniting them as a family.

After the ceremony, the wedding party was driven in the carriage through Wildwood Cemetery to the "new" Bond lot, where roses from the bride's bouquet were left on the graves of the groom's parents.

The Bond family owned a business once known as the cracker factory in Wilmington. Capt. Joseph Bond came to Wilmington in 1802, and worked as a baker. His son, Joseph Jr. founded Bond's Boston Biscuits, locating the

factory near the Congregational parsonage.

The cracker factory burned in 1864, along with the old Congregational Church. Sparks from the former landed on the steeple, and there was little that could be done to save the church.

One member of the family was actively involved in the church was Olive Thompson Bond, the wife of Thomas Davis Bond. She was descended from Samuel Thompson of Woburn.

The Bond family left Wilmington in the 1880's, when J. J. Bond went west with the railroad. Marjory Bond Crowley was born in North Dakota, and the Bond family returned to this area when she was a small girl. Mrs. Crowley is still living. It is in her home in Reading, old Jake Manning house, that the newlyweds are living.

The couple used Mrs. Crowley's leather carriage robe from North Dakota in the carriage.

Peter Crowley holds a national championship in boat racing, for high points in the "A stock" runabout class. He is also an accomplished boat builder.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Whitney of South Casco, Maine.

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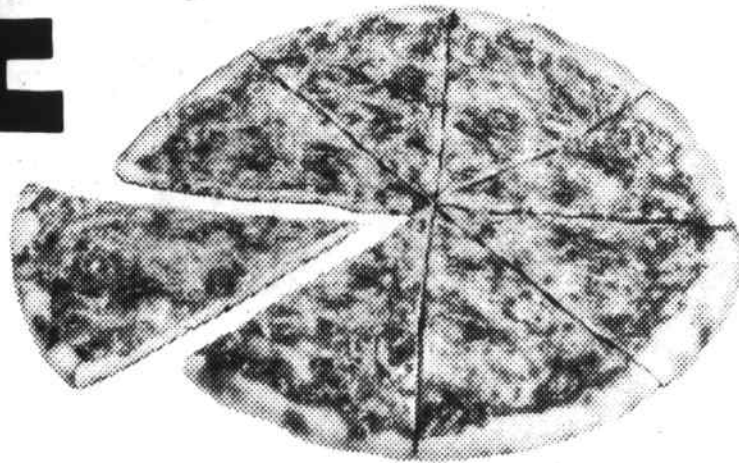
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Hooper Jr., for the third year in a row brought the most "youth" money to the Community Fund Walkathon, Danny Duffy was the youngest Walker, Gus MacFeeley raised \$49.50 in the walk;

Senior citizen's lunch program was launched; Ed Nash was guest of honor at a birthday party that featured a belly dancer; Sen. Ed Kennedy dropped in at Petticoat Junction and caught Isabelle Pellerin with her hair in curlers; rubbish collection started; Steve MacDonald donated his mini-bike to the Police Dept. Jimmy Fund Auction - it sold for \$90;

The island was removed from Glen Road and Harnden Street; the town paid Drinkwater Inc., \$53,210.00 for land taken from him by eminent domain for conservation land - another problem involving West Street; the Glen Road sidewalk program reared its head.

1977

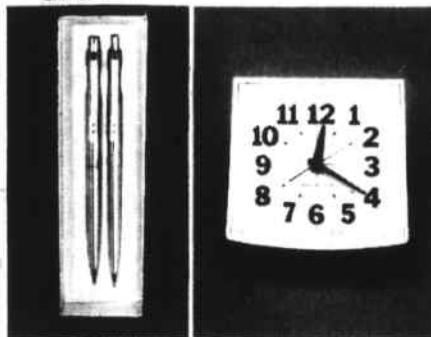
The Eames Street bridge was reconstructed; copy machines were installed in the post office; the school department budget topped seven million; Warren Newhouse withdrew from the Housing Authority race when he realized someone else was willing to run - he took out papers

merely so the office wouldn't be left vacant; the new Sons of Italy Hall was dedicated; when Al O'Connell found himself without a speaker for a Rotary Club luncheon, Sgt. Maryann Langone, one of the town's five original traffic supervisors filled in on a one day notice - did a great job too; Robert Vassalo, a former inspector for the Registry of Motor Vehicles joined the Wilmington Police Dept. to fill a vacancy left when Bernard Nally was promoted to sergeant; Jay Tighe was elected president of Youth Hockey; Gail Lombard won a trophy as an outstanding free throw shooter - she was a member of the Doves; Frank and Maria Mauriello toured

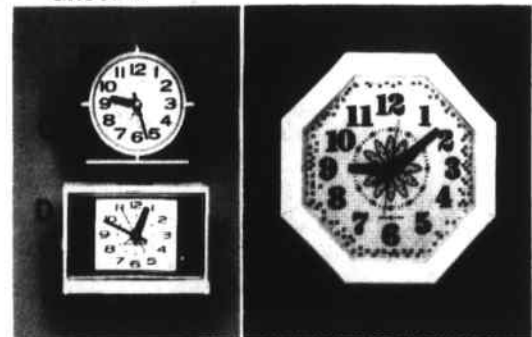
Washington DC; the class of 1977 donated a gazebo and 244 pints of blood to the town; Wilmington experienced a snowstorm in mid-May; a car driven by Chris Lyman struck a guardrail, broke a telephone pole and careened down an embankment on Ballardvale Street - Chris and his passengers simply got out and walked home - the car was removed the next morning; Fran Johnson was awarded a varsity letter for her involvement as manager of the boys baseball team; a Town Crier reporter made news when his car struck a pole on Wildwood Street and cut off electrical power in the area for some time;

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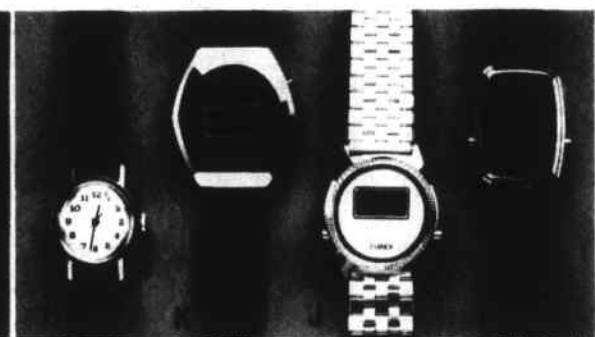
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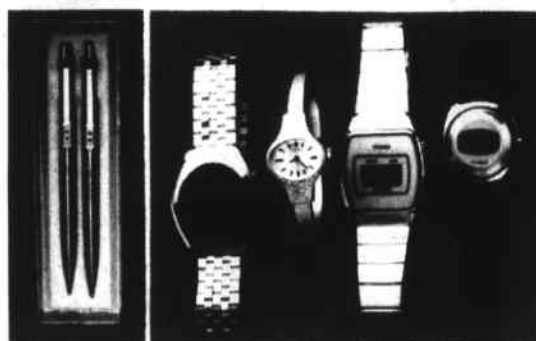
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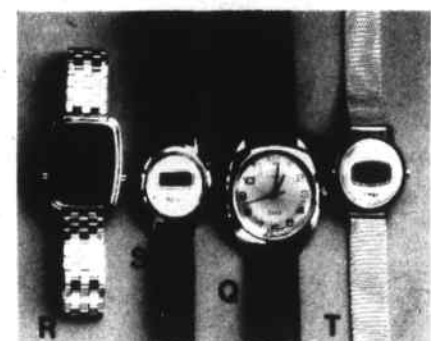
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E G.E. Wall Clock	5.25	FREE	FREE	FREE	7.30
GROUP 3					
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O TIMEX Marathon nite lite LCD	13.65	11.55	8.40	FREE	17.80
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GROUP 5					
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Dan Gillis heads Wilmington housing search committee

Former selectman Dan Gillis landed in a new job Monday night, that of chairman of the newly formed Search Committee for Housing for Wilmington Elderly.

The search committee held its first meeting at the community hall on Deming Way. The committee is a coalition of members of the Concerned Citizens of Wilmington and the Wilmington Housing Authority. On the sidelines were representatives from the planning board, the conservation commission and the Wilmington League of Women Voters.

The Concerned Citizens group formed in reaction to efforts by the WHA to build a housing project near the Wilmington Plaza shopping center. The project would have 80 units of housing for the elderly and 25 units of low and moderate income housing. Last week the Housing Authority signed an application for a comprehensive permit for the construction of the project. The comprehensive permit, allowed under Chapter 774 of the General Laws, would allow the developer to bypass local controlling agencies.

Relations between the members of the WHA and the Concerned Citizens have become somewhat stormy in the past few months. The formation of the Search Committee for Housing for Wilmington Elderly is an attempt to have the two groups work together in a positive mode.

On being nominated as chairman of the group, Gillis protested, "What did I do to deserve this?" He then answered his own question, saying, "I suppose I do deserve it. I suggested it."

He took charge of the meeting and quickly demonstrated that he had organized his thoughts on the matter of what the committee should address.

Gillis suggested that the first order

of business for the committee would be to decide its aim. His suggestion was to pursue all areas possible for housing for the elderly residents of Wilmington.

The new committee will meet on Wednesday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. The next meeting will be on December 3 at the Deming Way community hall.

Some of the discussion centered around the use of old schools as housing for the elderly. Before long, George Hooper suggested that they put an article into the warrant for the special town meeting asking for jurisdiction of old school property.

Chester Bruce, chairman of the Conservation Commission, said, "I don't know if you're getting in too deep. You've got articles in there already."

The housing authority recently submitted four articles to the selectmen for a special town meeting.

Bob Cassidy suggested that the group approach the people controlling the buildings, instead of flooding the town meeting with premature articles.

Robin Theodos observed that the group was rushing things a bit. "We don't have enough information yet."

After George Hooper suggested that the committee look at Wilmington's total housing need, Gillis called for a vote. Did the committee want to look at just housing for the elderly, or did it want to include family housing in the study?

Borazzo said that the committee should go for an order of priorities, the first being housing for the elderly, the second low income, and the third for handicapped.

There was no recorded vote on the question, but the consensus was to address the problem of elderly housing first, without closing the door to looking at other housing needs.

Municipal group gives Miceli high rating

Representative James R. Miceli is one of the 19 Representatives who scored high in the 1980 legislative session for their votes on issues of major importance to towns and cities.

The Representative voted for municipal needs in roll call votes tallied by the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA). The issues covered by votes include: retaining local control over certain municipal employees, providing sufficient funds to run county court buildings, and stimulating economic development. Rep. Miceli also supported an MMA sponsored amendment to prohibit state mandates.

MMA Legislative Director Sheila Cheimets said in announcing the analysis of the House votes for the session, "This was a year in which the legislature as a whole ignored taxpayers' demands for property tax relief, so that the support of the Representative on these roll call issues is very important." The Association, she said, is pleased to

thank publicly those Representatives who were sensitive to their constituents' needs.

"Legislative action on these municipal issues will have an effect on local property tax rates and on local home rule powers," Cheimets continues, adding that this was the fifth year that a "report card" on legislators had been issued by the organization. She indicated that the groups would continue to "keep score" on the legislature. "People have become aware that much of their local real estate tax rate is determined by votes taken on Beacon Hill rather than by decisions made in city and town halls, so they are very interested in how their legislators voted."

In the 1981 session, the highest priority for the MMA will be "a permanent and substantial property tax relief package," to be filed for legislative consideration. "Only through legislative action on property tax relief can local tax rates be controlled," she concluded.

New minister to be ordained at Congregational Church

The new minister of the Wilmington Congregational Church will be ordained and installed at 4 p.m. Sunday.

Six ministers will be present for the ordination of the Rev. William L. Murdoch. The ordination is the highest kind of worship service the church can hold. The service will mark his ordination as a Congregational minister and his installation as minister of the Wilmington Congregational Church.

The Rev. Murdoch had been previously ordained as a minister of the Gospel independent of domination. He has most recently served as acting pastor of the Ruggles Baptist Church in Boston.

Taking part in the ordination will be the Rev. David Stinson, the moderator of the Andover Association of the United Church of Christ (UCC), the Rev. Dr. Joseph Neville, the northeast area minister of the

Massachusetts UCC, the Rev. Dr. Jack L. Daniel of Andover, the Rev. David Montzingo of Everett, the Rev. Dr. Westy Egmont of the South Congregational Church of Andover, and the Rev. Hugh Evans of the Chelmsford Central Congregational Church.

The Rev. Murdoch's installation will end a period of two and a half years for which the Wilmington church has had no permanent pastor. The Rev. George Taylor resigned in May, 1978.

The Rev. Murdoch assumed the pulpit on November 2, holding a joint service with the Rev. Charles Meyers, the interim pastor. The Murdoch family has moved into the parsonage at 191 Middlesex Avenue. The Rev. Murdoch and his wife Sally have two children, Peter, age three and Ryan, six months.

Captions for old photos

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1. January, 1960 Jimmy Downs was appointed custodian of the new High School
2. June, 1961 Bruce MacDonald received a degree from Northeastern
3. April, 1964 Joseph Courtney passed the Bar Exam
4. May, 1961 Dr. Ernest Wallent opened his dental practice
5. April, 1960 Stan Webber was elected president of the Community Fund
6. June, 1965 Judy (Orlowski) McFeeters was the recipient of the Boosters Association Scholarship
7. July, 1963 Lionel Baldwin was named president of newly organized Chargers semi-pro football team
8. August, 1957 Sally Higginbotham announced her engagement to Danny Cosman.
9. October, 1957 The new home of Bedell Brothers Insurance
10. November, 1957 Marge Dyas was elected secretary of the Boosters
11. February, 1958 Paul Godzyk was a candidate for selectman

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12. October, 1956 Walter Pierce was named a teacher at the High School
13. June, 1962 Paul Butt graduated from Syracuse University
14. November, 1965 Bob Wagstaff was named head butcher at Elia's
15. March, 1963 Leo Woodside joined the Army
16. January, 1961 Carl Backman received his degree from U.Mass.
17. August, 1959 Sylvia Levine was named school nurse
18. October, 1957 Wilmington beat Dracut football celebration at Wilmington Center Pharmacy
19. October, 1967 Bobby Doucette became the manager of North Wilmington Shell
20. January, 1963 Homer Coursey was a candidate for School Committee
21. December, 1963 Joyce Brisbois became the secretary of Avco RAD Girls Club
22. February, 1961 Tony DeLuca became principal of the North Intermediate School

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23. July, 1970 Debbie Guzelf won second prize in a Baton Twirling Contest
24. June, 1967 Mike Cairra to attend B.C.
25. September, 1957 Dr. John Marshall established his practice in Wilmington
26. January, 1962 Bobby Shelley was the youngest cop
27. June, 1971 Bill Gustus to attend Wesleyan
28. June, 1967 Ken Spinelli named insurance sales rep.
29. June, 1958 Jim Miceli graduated from Northeastern
30. March, 1968 Billy Simmons to study at Boston College
31. July, 1963 Mr. and Mrs. John Imbimbo celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with son John
32. April, 1956 Mel Southmayd prepared his car for spring inspection

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33. April, 1959 Nancy Tarricone displayed the chair she reupholstered at the Practical Arts Show

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34. January, 1956 Mr. and Mrs. John Lucci opened a grocery store at Perry's Corner
35. August, 1959 A new office for Fenton Real Estate
36. June, 1966 Postmaster Henry Porter picked the first peas of the season
37. June, 1961 An airplane owned by Armando DeCarolis of Tewksbury landed on Route 93

Meeting to discuss future of 2½

Selectman John Imbimbo told his board Monday night that he will attend a November 22 meeting in Framingham to discuss the possible future of Proposition 2½ in Massachusetts.

At the meeting, referred to by the selectmen as "a remedial package," some possible changes in the law will be discussed.

These could include: Proposing a change in the override procedure from a two thirds to a majority vote; Proposing that excise bills not be

printed until action can be taken to phase in tax cuts;

A definition of full and fair cash value;

Proposing to add an exemption to the levy limit for debt and interest;

Proposing to limit property tax not until fiscal 1982;

Proposing to re-structure Proposition 2½ so it applies to residential property only;

Following the "remedial" meeting, Selectman Aldo Cairra has suggested a special meeting of the Wilmington selectmen to discuss Proposition 2½.

Through the years with the Town Crier

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Michael Piscatelli's collie Tanya won Best in Show at a Rec. Dept. dog show; ground was broken for the Health Center; Nancy Clark was voted Woman of the Year by the Federal Women's Council; after 20 years of commuting from Waltham, WHS math teacher, track coach Frank Kelley bought a house in Wilmington; Rotary donated \$10,000 to the health center; Joan Kritter became a member of the Tewksbury Hospital Board of Trustees; Warren Newhouse agreed to man a table at a Youth Hockey Christmas fair and then broke his ankle falling off a toboggan - he showed up, crutches, cast and all to meet his commitment at the fair; Esther Russell announced her retirement as town clerk and Pat (Ward) Lynch took over.

1978

A 26 hour play - a - thon by the WHS Band aided the WBZ Storm Relief Program; Donnie Constantino won two bronze medals in the Eastern Seaboard Speed Skating Championships; Fred Belissimo gave up his post as football coach at WHS; Firefighter John Brown was Good Guy of the Year; Compugraphic donated \$25,000 to the hospital fund; Aleppo Temple was dedicated; Route 129 Proposed relocation went back to the drawing boards (again); Polka Dot Junction arrived at Wilmington Plaza;

Asst. TM Peter Holzmeister resigned; Officer Bob Shelley was appointed Safety Officer; the Regional Health Center opened its doors; after years of taking part in the event, Nellie Thompson won her first prize at the Golden Age Harvest Fair - a piano cake; Mike Barrett became representative for Wilmington's Precinct 3; Sheila Quinn and Maria DeGaravilla were junior Rotarians; Linda Rinalda received a lovely floral centerpiece from students at the West Intermediate School as a thank you for "saving our dance" Mrs. Rinalda loaned her stereo equipment when the scheduled DJ failed to show up; Lt. Imbimbo retired from the police department following 35 years of service.

1979

The Trichloroethylene problem appeared in Wilmington's water; Gary Burt grew an 11½ inch cucumber; Hurricane David did minimal damage - a tree blown over on Glen Road shut off power for a brief time; the town started its plans for celebration of its 250th anniversary; Stelio's restaurant was heavily damaged by fire; Paul Lynch retired as police chief; Paul Duggan was recommended for the position of supt. of the water department following the retirement of Ken Motschman; the Methodist Church installed a handicapped lift; Mrs. Sarah Rueter, Children's Librarian appeared on New England Today - TV to promote children's books; Woodside's Restaurant opened at Eastgate Plaza; firewood thieves were running rampant around town; train service returned to North Wilmington; Weinberg's store was

demolished; Wilbur Spanks retired after 28 years as a custodian in Wilmington's schools.

1980

A commemorative 250th anniversary license plate showed up on cars and trucks around town; the January anniversary ball was termed a "big bust," but the 250th Committee, undaunted, picked itself up, brushed itself off and went on to a glorious year of celebration; woodcutters from Andover were caught in the town forest - one got away and one was ordered to pay the town \$750; West Street relocation is becoming a sensitive subject (it was 25 years ago too); a leak developed in the Kelley Hill standpipe and was repaired; police broke a drug ring at a local industry and arrested 13 employees - none of whom lived in Wilmington;

traffic lights were turned on at West and Lowell Streets; Daniel Ballou was elected selectmen after wearing out a pair of shoes; a water treatment plant is underway at the Butters Row site;

Gary Hastings offered the shortest and loveliest valedictory address ever when he simply stood up and said - "I would like a round of applause, please for the people who deserve most of the credit for our being here today - our parents;" (that was the first time BeeDee was ever on the receiving end of a standing ovation, and as a former writer for this paper used to admit - "I cry a lot"); students protested the loss of common privileges during their free time - remarks by Stephen Verette caused his fellow students to return to their classrooms - the situation was later resolved; Red white and blue barrels from Whitney Barrel showed up around town; the town manager's car was stolen from his driveway at Harnden Tavern; more than 135 youngsters registered for the summer playground program at the Glen Road School;

Stelios reopened; the elderly and low - moderate income housing problem involving the Housing Authority and HUD became a burning issue; Anna Visconti got her driver's license;

The special town meeting scheduled for August 25 was cancelled in a surprise move by the selectmen; Wilmington policemen began issuing parking tickets in earnest; Dr. Michael Thomas arrived in town and began giving free health lectures as a community service; new culverts were placed under Jenks bridge in an attempt to keep Federal Street from floating down the Ipswich River the next time there's an exceptionally wet spring; Billy Gustus ran for state senator and made a great showing - nice try - maybe next time; Housing Authority signed an application for the 774 housing program;

And the battle is still being waged for West Street; not much has changed.

And if you read this column carefully you will probably find a few typos, we haven't changed much, either.

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